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# A Super dynasty

Patriots win third NFL title in four years
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Above: New England Patriots fans reach for a chance to touch the Vince Lombardi Trophy on Sunday after their team beat the Philadelphia Eagles 24-2 in Super Bout XXXIV in Jacksonville, Pla. Lett: Airman 1st Class Shane Thomson raises his arms signaling a New England touchdown while friend and fellow Airman 1st Class Kenneth Madden, a Philadelphia Eagles fan, looks on. Thomson and Madden watched the game at Kadena Air Base's Rocker NCO Club. The two talked a lot of trash, but Thomson got the last laugh when the Pats won.

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# ws Tracker ... What's new with old news

### World

Togo's new president: Togo's constitutional court swore in 39year-old Faure Gnassingbe as this tiny West African nation's new president on Monday, despite volleys of international condemnation after the military

installed him as his late father's successor The six-member court conducted the ceremony at the presidential palace, where Gnassingbe raised his right hand to swear

the oath Gnassingbe comes to power in a tiny, imoverished country with little experience of rule of law. His father, Gnassingbe Eyadema, had held onto power longer than any other modern African leader through force, patronage and the loyalty of his Kabye ethnic group and his Togo People's Rally party.

Ailing pope: Pope John Paul II will remain hospitalized a few more days as a precaution, the Vatican said Monday, a day after the 84-year-old pope appeared at his clinic window to show the world he was recovering from his latest health crisis

Papal spokesman Joaquin Navarro-Valls said the pope, who he said was continuing to improve, had no fever, was eating regularly and has been sitting in a chair every day for

"His doctors have advised him to stay a few more days," Navarro-Valls said, declining to set a date for the pope's release.

1998 Omagh bombing: Ireland's anti-ter-rorist court ruled Monday it could not help survivors of the 1998 Omagh bomb — the deadliest terrorist attack in Northern Ireland history - who are suing five prominent Irish Republican Army dissidents.

The three judges of the Special Criminal Court ruled it would be illegal to provide transcripts or any other material related to the court's handling of cases against four of the five men.

Plane crash in Afghanistan: NATO troops scouring the wreckage of an Afghan airliner atop a snowy mountain peak on Monday found human remains amid the debris but no sign that any of the 104 people on board survived the crash, a spokesman said.

Relatives swarmed toward the freezing mountain to try to retrieve the bodies, but they were turned back by Afghan security forces struggling to mount a recovery opera tion

Clear skies allowed a Spanish Cougar helicopter to drop five Slovenian mountain troops onto the mountain top 20 miles east

Reagan's birthday: Mai. Gen. Timothy Donovan, commanding officer of the U.S. Marine Corps Base at Camp Pendleton, Calif., salutes after he and others placed a wreath sent by President Bush at the grave of former president Ronald Reagan. Ceremonies were held Sunday, on what would have been Reagan's 94th birthday, at his presidential library in Simi Valley, Calif.

of Kabul, on Monday morning, where they struggled through the deep snow among several pieces of torn fuselage.

Red Brigades trial: Five suspected members of the Red Brigades terrorist group went on trial Monday for their alleged roles in the 2002 killing of a labor consultant.

Marco Biagi, who was advising the Italian government on bitterly contested labor reforms was shot to death near his home in Naples in 2002. Days later, the Red Brigades-Combatant Communist claimed responsibility

The group is an offshoot of the radical leftist organization that terrorized Italy in the 1970s and 1980s.

Paris airport terminal collapse: A government-appointed board of inquiry investigating the partial collapse of a Paris airport terminal found serious errors in construction, including concrete that had not been sufficiently reinforced, a newspaper reported Monday

But the government's Transport Ministry said the inquiry and its report were not com pleted and indicated the conclusions published by the daily Le Parisien were "totally premature."

The newspaper said that after nine months of work, the inquiry commission found "several serious errors in the conception" of the futuristic Terminal 2E at Charles de Gaulle airport

### States

Smuggling deaths trial: Jury selection in the trial of a New York man accused of taking part in a smuggling attempt that resulted in the deaths of 19 illegal immigrants was again delayed Monday.

The 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals

granted a request by prosecutors to put the trial on hold while it decides whether to overturn a judge's ruling to have two juries decide the fate of Tyrone Williams.

The trial in the nation's deadliest smuggling attempt was put on hold last month after Williams' attorneys asked the U.S. Supreme Court to make public details about why he is the only one of 14 indicted defendants in the case to face the death penalty.

BTK investigation: The BTK serial killer investigation is being used as a teaching tool in college criminal justice courses around the country.

The killer known as BTK — which stands for "Bind, Torture, Kill" - has been linked to eight unsolved killings in Wichita, Kan., from 1974 through 1986. BTK resurfaced last March with letters to Wichita media

Michael Jackson trial: Jury selection in the Michael Jackson molestation case has been delayed, but media efforts to learn more about who might eventually sit in judgment of the entertainer are moving ahead.

Attorneys for news organizations were to ask Santa Barbara County (Calif.) Superior Court Judge Rodney S. Melville on Monday to allow reporters to view completed questionnaires filled out last week by 250 prospective jurors.

"It's really vital for the public to be able to have access to the questionnaires while the selection process is occurring ... to serve as a check on the process," said media lawyer Theodore Boutrous, who represents The Associated Press and other news organiza-

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# Airman records historic disaster response

BY JENNIFER H. SVAN

Stars and Stripes

History inevitably will show Dec. 26, 2004, to be a tragic day for South Asia, if not for much of the planet.

What historical records will reveal about the U.S. military's humanitarian efforts in response to the devastating Indian Ocean earthquake and tsunami depends in part on a sergeant from Misawa Air Base, Japan.

Senior Master Sgt. Don Koser, 35th Fighter Wing historian, is deployed to Utapao, Thailand, where he's meticulously recording the words and deeds of U.S. servicemembers continuing to coordinate the delivery of aid into the recovering region.

Pacific Command, through Pacific Air Forces, assigned Koser as the "joint historiam" for the combined military relief effort. His job is to "collect as much information as filed can," Koser said by telephone from Utapo last week. Though representing the Air Force, Koser is keeping tabs on all the services: His notes include lessons learned from the Marines, details about a new Navy water purification unit and Air Force ground crews sleeping on Navy ships during the mission's first days.

Since arriving at the headquarters for the U.S. military tsunami relief operation, Koser has been working nonstop maintaining a daily record of events and catching up on the four weeks he missed.

He'll write what the Air Force calls an expanded chronology—a timeline of what happened each day. The journal will start with Dec. 26—a short synopsis of the horrific natural disaster—move onto PACOM's orders mobilizing Pacific troops to the region "and just go through to the current day," he said.

Most of Koser's data is stored electronically on his laptop. From a local computer server, the historian downloads daily situational reports, briefings, orders, messages, "anything that's out there that can be pertinent to the operation," he said. He also sits in on daily commander's briefings and other meetings, taking notes, and interviewing key personnel.

In an interview with Marine Corps Lt. Gen. Robert R. Blackman, commander of Combined Support Force 536, Koser said his questions included "What he thinks went well, what he thinks could have been done better, any



LAWRENCE TORRES III/Courtesy of the U.S. Marine Corps

Senior Master Sgt. Donald Koser, left, CSF-536 command historian from Misawa Air Base, Japan, discusses relief effort experiences at Royal Thai Avan Air Base in Ultapao, Thailand, with Nary Petry Officer 1st Class Shawn Eklund, a combat photographer deployed from Fleet Combat Camera Atlantic, Norfolk, Va. Koser and Eklund were among more than 18,000 servicemembers who deployed to South Asia in support of Operation Initifed Assistance.

significant things (that) stand out in his mind, good or bad?"

Koser also has spoken with United Nations representatives and will document examples of cooperation between the U.S. military and nongovernmental organizations and foreign militaries also involved in the effort. The completed chronology will be sent to PACOM headquarters in Hawaii, where historians will compile a more in-depth history over the next six months to a year, Koser

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Cmdr Todd A Lewis

# USS Juneau officer wins special DOD history award

BY GREG TYLER
Stars and Strings

A USS Juneau officer is a winner of the Department of Defense African-American History Award for exceptional performance and dedica-

tion to service and country.
Cmdr. Todd A. Lewis, Juneau's executive officer, received praise from the Juneau's commanding officer for his selection this month in conjunction with the 80th observance of African-Amer-

ican History Month.

The amphibious transport dock ship currently is under way. Capt. Ronald Horton, commanding officer, stated in a Navy news report that Lewis has served his nation with "brilliance and distinction.

"He has keenly led a forward-deployed warship through an arduous operational schedule in support of Operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom," Horton stat-

The Juneau is part of Task Force 50, now operating in the North Arabian Gulf in support of the operation in Iraq.

"It is indeed an honor and a privilege to have been selected out of so many fine Americans serving in our Navy," Lewis stated in the renort.

"I was personally selected for this award, but it's really ... not about individuals. I couldn't do my job if it were not for the hard work and dedication of the stellar crew here on USS Juneau," he stated

The Juneau is part of the Essex Amphibious Ready Group operating from Sasebo Naval Base, Japan.

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Petty Officer 1st Class Michael Myers and Petty Officer 2nd Class Gene Carroll from the USS Fort McHenry, with the help of Indonesian locals, load supplies onto a CH-46E helicopter. The McHenry, which operates from Sasebo Navad Base, Japan, is in the vicinity of Neulaboh, Indonesia, supporting aid efforts after a tsunami devastated the area Dec. 26.

> DAVID J. HAM/ Courtesy of the U.S. Navy



# Admiral: U.S. role in tsunami relief was greeted with suspicion at first

BY YEOH EN-LAI

The Associated Press

SINGAPORE — The U.S. military said Monday it faced initial suspicion from Indonesian military commanders during its massive tsunamin relief efforts, while Sri Lamka's armed forces accused a relief group of trying to smuggle bomb-making materials to Tamil Tiger rebels.

A British naval ship, meanwhile, surveyed the ocean floor near the epicenter of the quake that triggered killer waves across Asia, checking the stability of tectonic plates as countries considered a tsunami-warning system for the region. The massive recovery effort entered its seventh week, with the U.S. military winding down its deliveries of aid by helicopter. But workers clearing debris in Indonesia's Aceh province on Sumatra island are still finding several hundred corpses a day.

Rear Adm. William Douglas Crowder, commander of the USS Abraham Lincoln carrier group, said despite a difficult start the relationship with the Indonesian military improved after they worked together to deliver food and other relief supplies to victims in Aceh, the worst-affected area.

"There was a lot of suspicion when the U.S. military arrived," Crowder said at a briefing in Singapore. "After 35 days, there were some previously strong opinions about the U.S. military that were somewhat altered."

The USS Lincoln left Aceh last week and docked in Singapore ahead of its departure for the Pacific on Tuesday.

for the Pacific on Tuesday.

Aceh is staunchly Muslim, and the U.S.-led war in Iraq was deeply unpopular in Indone-

In Sri Lanka, port authorities over the weekend found thousands of small steel balls hidden in water pots in a shipping container addressed to the Tamils Rehabilitation Organization, the army's Web site said.

Sri Lanka's Tamil Tiger rebels, who fought a two-decade civil war against the government, are known for loading suicide bombs with metal balls to cause maximum damage.

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# **Public mood stronger against insurgency**

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Haider Abdul Hussein

Pharmacy owner

By Doug Struck The Washington Post

BAGHDAD - With a hero who gave his life for the elections, a revived national anthem blaring from car stereos and an increased willingness to help police, the public mood appears to be moving stronger against the insurgency in Iraq, political and security officials say

Since the Jan. 30 national elections, police and Iraqi National Guardsmen say that they have received more tips from the pub lic, resulting in more arrests and greater effectiveness in their efforts to weaken the vi-

olent insurgency rocking the country. None of the officials said they believed the violence was over. On Monday, insur gents struck at Iraqi police in Baqouba and Mosul. In Baqouba, a car bomb exploded outside the gates of a provincial police headquarters, killing 15 people and wounding 17. A suicide bomber blew himself up inside a Mosul teaching hosptal, killing 12 policeman guarding the site, according to hospital officials

But officials in Baghdad said a relative lull in violence in the capital has fueled the sense that something has fundamentally changed since the vote. A change of attitudes in Baghdad could make a crucial difference in the battle against the insurgency, and a buoyed sense of civic pride is alady beginning to change the way the pub-

lic treats the police, authorities say. "They saw what we did for them in the election by providing safety, and now they understand this is

their army and their sons," said Set. Haider abdul Heidi, a National Guardsman at a checkpoint in Bagh-

Reports from Iragis reflect a similar shift in attitudes in large areas of the north and south, although authorities

acknowledged that in some parts of the country, people remain hostile to the emerging Iraqi authority and supportive, to varying degrees, of the insurgents.

The insurgency began to emerge soon after the toppling of Saddam Hussein on a tide of anger over the U.S. occupation. But in interviews over the past week, officials and Baghdad residents cited what they called a renewed nationalist pride since the elections that they said might be dampening those feelings, and might be beginning to dispel Iraqi tolerance and support for the insurgents. "I feel very optimistic that things will

change for the better because of the strong our faith and gave us a sense of change for the better," said Ali

Jassem, 32, the manager of a bakery in Baghdad.

You can feel the situation has

changed, said Haider Abdul Hussein, 30, a pharmacy owner. seem to linger on the street longer. You can feel the momentum, the sense of optimism."

Part of that mood change is credited to Abdul Amir, Iraq's newest national hero. On election day, Amir, 30, a policeman in Baghdad, noticed a man walking toward a polling station in Baghdad who appeared to be carrying something heavy under his coat. Amir wrapped his arms around the man and dragged him away from the crowd. A belt of explosives wrapped around the man blew both men to shreds.

Members of Irag's interim Cabinet ha touted Amir as a symbol of national pride. Newspapers have been filled with stories about him. A statue is planned, and the elementary school that served as the polling station where he died might change its name to honor him.

Adil Abdul-Mahdi, the interim finance minister and a powerful figure in the Shiite-led coalition expected to dominate Iraq's new National Assembly, contends the elections created a sense of solidarity that helped dissolve an Iraqi aversion to trusting neighbors, a habit ingrained during the Saddam era

"People know their neighbors now. They know they are on the same front as their neighbors - they all went out and voted," he said in an interview Saturday, "I think this has uncovered the terrorists and insurgents. They are less legitimate now.

The elections also appear to have renewed confidence in Iraqi security forces, who were on the front lines of a largely successful effort to protect 5,000 polling centers from violence. In the weeks before and since the Jan. 30 elections, Iraqi security forces have claimed increasing success in arresting ringleaders of the insurgency.

# Attacks on police station, hospital kill at least 30 Iraqis

BY MARIAM FAM

The Associated Press

BAGHDAD - Insurgents struck at Iraqi police with a suicide bomb, a car bomb and mor tars in the cities of Mosul and Baqouba on Monday, killing at least 30 people as they pressed their campaign to undermine the fledgling security forces.

The deadliest attack came in Baqouba, where a car bomb exploded outside the gates of a provincial police headquarters, killing 15 people and wounding 17, police Col. Mudhahar al-Jubouri said. Many victims were there to seek jobs as policemen, al-Ju-

In the northern city of Mosul, a suicide bomber blew himself up inside the compound of Jumhouri Teaching Hospital, killing 12 policemen guarding the site and in-iuring four others, hospital offi-

The bomb went off outside the hospital building, hospital Direc-tor Tahseen Ali Mahmoud al-Obeidi said. Witnesses said the bomber called the police officers over to him and then blew un among the crowd.

"I heard an explosion When I went to check, I saw bodies everywhere," al-Obeidi said.

The ground was soaked with blood. Nurses collected body parts, putting them in bags.

In a posting on a Web site, the al-Qaida in Iraq group, led by Jordanian militant Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, said "a lion from the Martyrs Brigade" wearing an explosives belt managed to get inside a police post at the Mosul hospital. The claim could not be veri-

There was no claim for the Bagouba attack.

Also Monday, U.S. troops man ning a checkpoint found four Egyptian technicians who had been kidnapped the previous day in Baghdad, freeing them and arresting some of the abductors, an Egyptian diplomat said.

"It's the Americans who freed them," Farooq Mabrouk, head of the Egyptian mission, told The Associated Press. "They were released and they will come to the

embassy.' He said the Americans had "made some arrests" but gave no further information.

Also Monday. insurgents shelled a police station in Mosul with more than a dozen mortar

rounds, killing three civilians, a police official said. Mosul, Irag's third-largest city. has seen daily insurgent attacks and rebel clashes with U.S. troops and Iraqi security forces.

The attacks were the latest sign that insurgents are stepping up attacks against Irag's security force es, which the United States hopes can assume a greater role in fighting the rebels once a newly elected government takes office

The violence and kidnappings raise new concerns about security after a brief downturn in violence after the Jan. 30 elections when Iraqis chose a new National Assembly in the first nationwide balloting since the fall of Saddam Hussein in April 2003.

A final tally was expected by Thursday, but initial returns point to a landslide by Shiite Muslim candidates endorsed by their clerics. Shiites are believed to comprise about 60 percent of Irag's 26 million people.

Arabs, estimated at 20 nercent of the population and the core of the insurgency, are believed to have stayed home, either out of fear of rebel reprisal or because of a boycott call by Sunni clerics.

In the Mosul area, 15,188 were unable to vote because of irregularities. Iraqi election commission officials said Monday.

Gunmen looted some polling places, stealing ballot papers, commission official Izzedine al-Mahmoudi said.

Officials said only 93 of a planned 330 polling centers opened in surrounding Ninevah province.

Officials also said first returns showed that Sunnis stayed away from the polls in Salahediin province, a mostly Sunni area north of Baghdad that contains Saddam Hussein's hometown of Tikrit

# U.S. deaths in Iraq

The Associated Press

As of Sunday, at least 1,448 members of the U.S. military have died since the beginning of the Iraq war in March 2003, according to an Associated Press count. At least 1,105 died as a result of hostile action, the De-fense Department said. The figures include four military civilians

The AP count is six higher than the Defense Department's tally, last updated at 10 a.m. EST

The British military has reported 86 deaths; Italy, 20; Poland, 16; Ukraine, 16; Spain, 11; Bulgaria, seven: Slovakia, three: Estonia, Thailand and the Neth

, two each; and Denmark, El Salvador, Hungary, Latvia and Kazakhstan one death each. Since May 1, 2003, when Pres-

ident Rush declared that major combat operations in Iraq had ended, 1,310 U.S. military members have died, according to AP's count. That includes at least 996 deaths resulting from hostile action, according to the military's numbers.

The latest deaths reported by the military:

■ A soldier was killed Sunday in a roadside bombing north of Baghdad.

The latest identifications reported by the military:

■ No identifications reported.

# Voting problems emerge a week later

BY MARIAM FAM The Associated Press

BAGHDAD - Some polling stations were shuttered

Others ran out of ballots. A provincial governor's name was left off the list of candidates. And some minorities complain it is all a plot to silence them.

One week after Irag's historic election, allegations of confusion, mismanagement or worse are sur facing, complicating the vote count and perhaps providing ammunition for politicians to ques tion the entire process if they do not fare well in the final tally

It is too early to tell if the criticism can undermine the legitimacy of the incoming National Assembly. But in some local races fears are already strong that flawed elections will give rise to provincial councils with skewed demographic representation

The most serious allegations are concentrated in violence plagued areas or those with mixed religious and ethnic groups. Failure to reconcile discord over the Jan. 30 vote could worsen local tensions

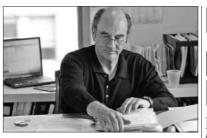
Iraq's electoral commission says it has received more than 100 complaints of irregularities It has formed an independent team of three lawyers to investigate, though election officials have sought to downplay the scope and seriousness of the prob-

There are political parties that have contested the legitimacy of the election process even before the voting started," election offi-cial Adel al-Lami said. "It's bese they know they won't get many votes '

On Sunday, hundreds of Iragis mostly Assyrian Christians and Turkomens — shouted slo-gans and waved Iraqi flags outside Baghdad's heavily guarded Green Zone to protest alleged ir-regularities in Mosul that they say prevented tens of thousands from voting.

Because of the security situation, many international monitors watched the election from nearby Jordan. Much of the voting and ballot counting was done in the presence of party representatives with their own agendas.

Attorney Tom Wilner, who renresents Guantanamo detainees, looks at notes Friday in his Washington office. Eleven Kuwaiti detainees say U.S. troops in Afghanistan and Pakistan abused them before they were sent to the prise camp at Guantanamo Bay, allegations that include beatings with chains. Some of the men he represents say they falsely confessed to being members of the Taliban regime or al-Qaida to make the abuse stop. Wilner said.



# Gitmo detainees say they made false confessions to stop torture

BY PAISLEY DODDS The Associated Press

Eleven detainees say U.S troops in Afghanistan and Pakistan abused them before they were sent to the prison camp at Guantanamo Bay, allegations that include heatings with chains electric shock and sodomy, according to a lawyer's notes that were de-

classified and released Monday. Some of the men say they falsely confessed to being members of Afghanistan's ousted Taliban regime or the al-Oaida terror network to make the abuse stop, said Tom Wilner, a lawyer for the 11 Kuwaitis being held in the prison camp at the U.S. Navy base in eastern Cuba

Human rights groups and de-

WASHINGTON - Defense Secretary Donald

Rumsfeld said Sunday he considers the case closed

for a Marine Corps general told to watch his words

after comments about the wars in Iraq and Afghani-

The officer said, "It's fun to shoot some people

and poked fun at the manhood of Afghans as he de-

Lt. Gen. James Mattis, a career infantry officer

who is now in charge of developing better ways to

scribed the wars U.S. troops are fighting.

fense lawyers have said that some of the information that led to incarcerations at Guantanamo Bay was obtained through abuse or torture Many of the 545 prison. ers have been held for more than three years, most without charge.

Maj. Michael Shavers, a Pentagon spokesman, said all "credi-ble" abuse allegations are investigated but suggested the Kuwaitis' claims were consistent with al-Qaida tactics to falsely allege abuse or mistreatment

The government has denied the use of torture, but multiple investigations into abuse of detainees in Afghanistan and at Guantanamo are under way

Although most of 11 Kuwaitis say physical abuse stopped once they arrived at Guantanamo, all

Rumsfeld: Case closed on general's comments

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complained of being locked in their cells with scant reading materials and little contact with the outside world or current events.

"At Guantanamo, the physical abuse - at least for Kuwaitis has stopped, but there has been a switch to mental torture," Wilner said from Washington, "Charles said from Washington. "Charles Manson has much better prison conditions than these men

Wilner and other attorneys for the Kuwaitis were allowed to interview the prisoners for the first time in December and January.

Wilner last visited his clients Jan. 10-13. He and other attorneys are required to surrender attorney-client notes before leaving the base. The notes are then sealed and sent to a secure facility where lawyers must ask for them to be unclassified.

train and equip Marines, made the comments Feb. 1

His boss, Gen. Mike Hagee, commandant of the

Marine Corps, said on Thursday that the comments

reflected "the unfortunate and harsh realities of

war" but that Mattis has been asked to watch his

Rumsfeld, asked Sunday about the matter, said:

The commandant of the Marine Corps said that he

was concerned about the words, and he counseled

with that individual, and as far as I can see, the mat-

while speaking to a forum in San Diego.

# **Mud-wrestling** party leads to **MP's demotion**

# Photos taken in Iraq showed female Guard member flashing

they're just

singling

her out.

Ladyna Waldrop

Black Mountain, N.C.

MP's Mother in

By MARTHA WAGGONER The Associated Press

RALEIGH, N.C. - Military officials have demoted a female member of a National Guard military police unit for indecent exposure after a mud-wrestling party at the Camp Bucca detention center in

Lt. Col. Barry Johnson, spokes-

man for detainee operations at the 44 It seems like Army-run camp, did not release the name of the soldier, who lifted her shirt and showed her chest in photographs taken at

the party. The New York Daily News identi-

fied her as Deanna Allen, 19, and Allen's mother, Ladyna Waldrop of Black Mountain, confirmed the identification

Several photographs of the party printed in the Daily News showed women wrestling in bras and panties in front of a crowd of male soldiers.

After an inquiry, Allen was demoted from specialist to private first class, received a pay cut and was placed on restriction. She is still a guard at the camp, the newspaner said

Waldrop said her daughter is devastated by the events.

"It was just a thing where she was coerced by a bunch of people, and with all the excitement, she lost her sanity for a moment and that's all it took," she said.

"It seems like they're just sin-gling her out," Waldrop said. She's the one getting all the publicity and punishment, and that's

The party occurred Oct. 30, as the 160th Military Police Battalion, an Army Reserve Unit from Tallahassee, Fla., prepared

turn over its duties to the Asheville-based 105th Military Police Battalion

Johnson said In the course of the transfer of duties, "some individuals in their exuberance decided to put together a

mud-wrestling thing," Johnson said Sunday. Photos of the party were found after the 160th had left Iraq, Johnson said, adding that he understood a soldier had turned

over the photos to commanders Johnson said it appeared the party was "primarily put on by troops of the 160th," and results of the inquiry were sent to the unit's commander. It wasn't immediately clear if any members of the 160th had been disciplined

Four or five other members of the 105th who were spectators at the party received counseling. Johnson said

Johnson said the party was not held within sight of detainees.

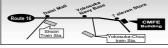
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diers who mistakenly received bills for expenses upon returning home from wars - in some cases instead of final paychecks — and it has forgiven their debts. After learning of the first such cases. Army Gen. Richard A.

Cody said an audit team determined that other wounded soldiers "experienced pay issues" and the Army has made changes it hopes will prevent other in-

Cody said Army medical and financial officials now meet individually with wounded soldiers to ensure they are aware of any entitlements they are owed. And, he said, the Army has established financial support teams at hospitals for wounded soldiers to swiftly take care of any such prob-

From wire reports

# Israelis, Palestinians to declare truce

BY SALAH NASRAWI The Associated Press

SHARM EL-SHEIK, Egypt — Israeli and Palestinian leaders said Monday they would declare a formal end to more than four years of fighting during a Tuesday summit in this Egyptian resort - a breakthrough in Mideast peacemaking that comes after both sides also accepted invitations to meet separately with President

Bush at the White House The cease-fire deal, finalized during last-minute preparations on the summit's eve, was the clearest sign yet of momentum in the peace process following Yasser Arafat's death, the election of a new Palestinian leader and a signal from the White House that it plans a renewed push.

"The most important thing at the summit will be a mutual declaration of cessation of violence against each other," said Saeb Erekat, a Palestinian negotiator.

Erekat said the agreement also included the establishment of joint committees, one to determine criteria for the release of Palestinian prisoners held in Israeli jails and



the other to oversee the gradual withdraw al of Israeli forces from West Bank cities.

An Israeli government official, speaking on the condition of anonymity, confirmed the cease-fire agreement, adding that the deal also would include an end to Palestin-

Palestinian leader Mahming Pinbas and Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon were to attend Tuesday's summit in this Egyptian beach resort, along with Jordan's King Abdullah II and the host, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak. It is the first meeting of the Israeli and Palestinian leaders since

Abbas succeeded Arafat after Arafat's death in November. In Washington, Bush said the atmo-

there for peace talks had improved with Abbas' election. His invitations to both sides to separate talks this spring seemed a clear signal he plans a stepped-up peacemaking effort in his second term.

Abbas said he hoped the summit would open the way for further Israeli-Palestinian negotiations aimed at implementing the internationally backed "road map" to

Two weeks ago, we announced a cease-fire. Since then, we have been in extensive talks with the Israeli side over many issues. If you wait for tomorrow, you will hear about the results," Abbas said after meeting with French Foreign Minister Michel Barnier.

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In the past, U.S. intervention has been ecessary to secure any major advances, but Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice, in the Mideast to talk with both Abbas and Sharon, said it would be good for regional leaders to push forward on their own. Neither she nor any other high-ranking U.S. official will attend the summit.

# Bush to hold talks with Sharon. Abbas separately in Washington

BY ANNE GEARAN The Associated Press

JERUSALEM - President Bush will meet separately with newly elected Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas and Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon and says "people are becoming more trustworthy" in striving for peace in the Middle East.

Secretary of State Condoleezza announced the meetings Monday after two days of talks in Jerusalem and the West Bank She met with both the Israeli and Palestinian leaders as part of her first trip abroad as secretary of state ahead of the two men's closely watched first meeting as potential peace partners on Tuesday in Egypt.

Both sides said Israeli and Palestinian leaders would declare a formal end to more than four years of fighting at the summit.

The meetings in the United States later in the spring are the clearest signals that the Bush administration sees hope for peace

after the death of Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat.

"This is the most promising moment of progress between Palestinians and Israelis in recent years," Rice said. "The United States is determined to do all that we can to take advantage of this moment of opportunity in the weeks and months ahead

She also said that a U.S. Army general would be a go-between for Israelis and Palestinians, the first such U.S. presence in more than three years. Lt. Gen. William Ward will help improve Palestinian security forces, an important underpinning for the eventual goal of an independent Palestinian state alongside Israel.

Washington wrote off Arafat as a peacemaker and all but ignored him in the last years of his life.

Rice was the first high-level U.S. official in years to visit the Palestinian Authority headquarters in Ramallah, but she still kent her distance from Arafat's flower-laden tomb. Her motorcade zipped past the site and on to the crumbling complex of buildings where Arafat holed up under intermittent Israeli shelling before his death last year in

Abbas, a moderate, took power in a largely peaceful election last month. He still faces challenges to stop violence by Palestinian

In Washington, Bush indicated that the election was a turning

Abbas' "commitment to fighting off terror" has been impres-

sive, Bush said. Bush also praised Israelis, who he said "went out of their way to make sure that people were al-

lowed to go to the polls Still, Rice sounded a cautious note on Monday.

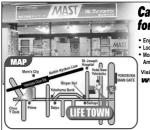
"We have had other times of great optimism, and it is in fact a lesson that times of great opti-mism can slip away unless all parties are prepared to really carry through on their responsibili-

In that vein, Rice took a slightly harder public line on Israeli obli-gations Monday.

she said.



U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice and Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas meet Monday in the presidential headquarters in the West Bank town of Ramallah.



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# Kuwait cuts access to Web sites Koreas ready to talk about

BY DIANA ELIAS The Associated Press

KUWAIT CITY - Kuwait is blocking Islamic Web sites that incite violence as part of its all-out war on terror following recent clashes with fundamentalists who allegedly planned to attack Americans and the country's security forces, a senior official said Monday.

Kuwait began to block the sites Sunday. Three Kuwaiti sites are now inaccessible, and technicians are working with security officials and Internet providers to crack down on non-Kuwaiti sites, said Hamed Khaja, undersecretary of the Communications Ministry.

He declined to name any of the sites.

# Three Islamic sites said to incite violence

"A few weeks ago, we started to make a list of these sites, and yesterday we began to actually block them," Khaja said.

Security officials were determining which sites "incite terrorism and instability" and the ministry was working with the Internet providers to block them, he said.

Since Jan. 10, police have clashed with Muslim fundamentalists and pursued them around the country, killing eight mili-

tants and arresting scores of others Khaja, the communications official, conceded no blockage of Web sites can be completely effective because many users can get around it.

"It is not possible to prevent everybody from opening these sites that spread destructive ideas but if we limit access to them by 90 percent, that would be a great

This small oil-rich state has been a major ally of Washington since the U.S.-led Gulf War in 1991 that liberated it from a seven-month Iraqi invasion. It was the only Arab country that openly supported the American invasion of Iraq that toppled the dictatorship of Saddam Hussein almost two years ago. Some of its fundamentalists oppose the American military presence.

# request for aid

SEOUL - South Korea will discuss a North Korean request for 551,155 tons of fertilizer after stalled inter-Korean talks resume, the South's unification minister said. South Korea has provided the poverty-stricken North with about 330,690 tons of fertilizer annually since 1999.

The latest request, made Jan. 13 through the North Korean Red Cross, was the first time Pyongyang has asked for such a large

Talks between the two Koreas have stalled recently amid strains over mass de-fections from the North and the international dispute over the North's nuclear one ambitions

On Monday, Unification Minister Chung Dong-young said the Koreas can discuss agricultural aid once the dialogue between

the two sides resumes.

"We will first discuss this issue once

we will first discuss this issue once working-level talks or economic talks re-sume," Chung said in a radio interview. Separately, Chung said at a Cabinet meeting Monday he believes North Korea will decide only after the end of this month whether to rejoin the inter-Korean dia-logue and six-nation talks on its nuclear weapons programs, said government

spokesman Jung Soon-kyun.

Before March, the North will be busy reparing for leader Kim Jong Il's Feb. 16 birthday, celebrated as a national holiday.

Chung said.

Hopes rose for a resumption of the nucle-ar talks after President Bush refrained from using harsh words against the isolated North in last week's State of the Union

Since 2003, the United States, the two Ko reas, China, Japan and Russia have held three rounds of talks in Beijing aimed at persuading the North to abandon nuclear weapons development in return for eco-nomic and diplomatic rewards. There have been no breakthroughs so far.

# Human trials begin for AIDS vaccine

BY NIRMALA GEORGE

The Associated Press

NEW DELHI - Indian scientists on Monday began the country's first human clinical trials of a vaccine designed to preent AIDS

The vaccine trials are part of an international partnership among the state-run Indian Council of Medical Research, the International AIDS Vaccine Initiative and U.S.-based Targeted Genetics Corp., Health Minister Anbumani Ramadoss said in the western city of Pune.

"Doctors in Pune have today inoculated the first group of volunteers with the poten-tial vaccine." Ramadoss said moments after the first subject was injected.

The testing involves 30 male and female volunteers between 18 and 45 years of age who are free of HIV/AIDS and other major illnesses, doctors involved in the trials

During the trials, which are expected to take about 15 months, the vaccine will be given to the volunteers to induce a resnonse from their immune systems that may protect them against HIV infection,

said N.K. Ganguly, director of the ICMR. 'The volunteers have been made aware of the risks involved, they have been counseled and their health status will be moni-

tored all the time." Ganguly said. Seth Berkley of the International AIDS Vaccine Initiative, speaking in a video conference call from New York, said the trials were part of a global drive to end the HIV/AIDS epidemic which has infected about 40 million people worldwide.

The New York-based IAVI has conducted trials of the vaccine at German university clinics in Bonn and Hamburg, and also at Belgian hospitals in Brussels and Antwerp, a representative of the initiative, Seth Berkley, said.

The first-phase testing which began a year ago in Germany and Belgium is aimed at determining the safety of the vaccine and whether it produces immune responses.

Known as tgAAC09, the vaccine targets HIV subtype C - prevalent in South Africa, India and China and responsible for a large part of the world's HIV infections. The vaccine was developed by Seattlebased Targeted Genetics Corp. and the Columbus Children's Research Institute.

"This is a marathon which requires the commitment of the world's political leaders to make the best science and the best facilities available," Berkley said.

India was "essential" to the global vaccine effort because of its advanced biomedical research facilities, and its strong pharmaceutical industry would be able to deliver a cheap and effectiv evaccine to the millions infected with HIV, Berkley said.

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# Philippine troops clash

MANILA, Philippines - Hundreds of armed followers of a jailed former Muslim rebel leader attacked government troops and occupied at least one army detachment on violent southern Jolo island on Monday, sparking clash-es that killed at least 12 soldiers, officials said.

The attacks by about 500 followers of Nur Misuari in Jolo's Panamao and at least two other near towns were apparently touched off by a disagreement over recent military offensives against the Muslim extremist group Abu Sayyaf that affected his strongholds, army Brig. Gen. Agustin Demaala said

### Leftist party triumphs

ACAPULCO, Mexico - For enerations, leftist activists have fought the Institutional Revolutionary Party in the southern state of Guerrero through the ballot box and the rifle. After skirmishes massacres

and hundreds of martyrs, they were celebrating victory on Monday with dancing and the honking of horns in the state's famous re sort, Acapulco.

Official results showed former Acapulco Mayor Zeferino Torre blanca with a stunning victory, 55 to 42 percent, over the Institutional Revolutionary Party that has run Guerrero for 76 years.

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"Every situation is unique so contact the identification card section on the installation to determine what proof is needed to have an agent shop in the commissary on your installation," Nixon said. "In most cases you can also get in touch with the commissary's store director to put you in touch with the appropriate officials."

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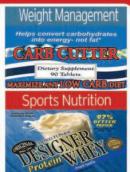


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# DeCA Europe donates to Fisher House

Kathy Gregory, Landstuhl Fisher House manager, holds over \$300 in donations presented by the employees of DeCA Europe. The money was generated through a campaign that would have caused one or more willing DeCA volunteers to shave their heads. They had agreed to do so for \$500. Though the required amount was not pledged, Gregory was very happy to receive the funds and the employees of DeCA Europe were happy not to see more bald heads than they already had. On hand for the presentation were (left to right) Karin Hand, administrative assistant to the director; Gerri Young, public affairs officer; Norman Raynal, action line coordinator; Amber Bray, commissary management specialist and Cheryl Atwood, information technology specialist and chairman of the social committee.



# **Bush budget slices into Medicaid, disabled housing**

BY ALAN FRAM The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - President Bush proposed a \$2.57 trillion budget Monday that erases scores of programs and slices Medicaid, disabled housing and many more but still worsens federal deficits by \$42 billion over

the next five years. In one of the most austere presidential budgets in years - one that faces precarious prospects in Bush would give Congress nine of the 15 Cabinet-level de partments less money in 2006

than they are getting this year. Overall, he would cut non-security domestic spending - excluding automatically paid benefits like Medicare - by nearly 1 percent next year. Bush said it was the first such reduction proposed by the White House since President Reagan's day.

Forty-eight education pro-grams would be eliminated, including one for ridding drugs

from schools. In all, more than 150 government-wide programs would be eliminated or slashed deeply, including Amtrak subsidies, oil and gas research, and grants to communities hiring police officers. Bush would slow the growth of benefit programs by \$137 billion over the next decade, nearly quadruple the savings he proposed a year ago with little success. Chief among the targets would be Medicaid, the federal-state health insurance program for the poor and disabled, but farmers' payments, student loans and veterans medical services were also on the chopping block

"It's a budget that focuses on results," Bush said after meeting with his Cabinet. "The taxpayers of America don't want us spending our money into something

that's not achieving results. Yet largely because of Bush's plans for a defense buildup, this year's Iraq and Afghanistan war costs, and a handful of new tax cuts, the budget shows that deficits over the five years ending in 2010

would total nearly \$1.4 trillion. That is \$42 billion worse than they would be if the government continued current spending levels and made no tax-law changes other than making permanent his already enacted tax cuts, his budget tables showed.

Bush's blueprint would leave next year's deficit at an estimated \$390 billion — and omit any new money next year for wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. That would be a reduction from last year's record \$412 billion shortfall and would still leave Bush on his course to halve deficits by 2009, the White House said

Even so, a \$390 billion shortfall

would be the third worst ever if his projection for \$427 billion in red ink for this year comes true.

Without Bush's new tax and spending plans, the 2006 deficit would otherwise be \$361 billion. the budget tables showed

The figures demonstrated how federal costs are soaring despite growing revenues the economy is pumping into the government.

Bush's package faced an uncertain fate in Congress, where conservatives seemed ready to demand deeper deficit reduction and Democrats - and some Republicans - were sure to resist

its spending cuts. Underscoring the jostling that lawmakers were preparing for, House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., lauded the plan as "a blueprint to fund our nation's priorities" but called it "a good starting point for the Congress to begin its work

Democrats chided the package for its proposed cuts and because they said it obscured more seri-

ous deficit problems ahead They complained it excludes next year's war costs and the price tags of Bush's Social Security overhaul and of keeping the alternative minimum tax from affecting more middle-income families.

"Why is he playing this hide-and-seek game?" asked Sen. Kent Conrad of North Dakota, ton

The Bush President Bush on Monday released full details of his \$2.57 trillion budget. Droposa The 2006 fiscal year begins Oct. 1.

Outlays (The total amount of money for spending)

Spending breakdown The president and Congress decide on discretion-ary spending. Mandatory spending includes pro-



NOTE: Does not include a \$25 billion proposed supplemental

SOURCE: Office of Management and Budget

Democrat on the Senate Budget Committee, "I believe it's because he really doesn't want people to know where he is headed."

Bush was expected to propose an \$81 billion war package for the rest of 2005 in a few days. Congress has already approved \$25 billion for the year.

Besides omitting the impact of revamping Social Security, Bush proposed no specific savings at all from Medicare, the health program for the elderly and disabled. The \$340 billion-a-year program, though \$200 billion smaller than

Social Security, faces a long-term solvency problem whose solution is technically and politically more complicated because of the intricacies of health costs.

Bush was using some of his budet cuts to funnel billions to White House priorities.

Defense and domestic security would both see healthy growth, as would select education, public housing, space and other programs. He would also create tax breaks totaling \$74 billion over the next decade to encourage low-income people to buy health



# Jury finds defrocked priest guilty of abuse

BY DENISE LAVOIE

The Associated Press

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. - Defrocked priest Paul Shanley, the most notorious figure in the sex scandal that rocked the Bos ton Archdiocese, was found guilty Monday of repeatedly molesting a boy at his church

during the 1980s. The conviction on all four charges gives prosecutors a high-profile victory in their effort to bring pedophile priests to justice for decades of abuse at Roman Catholic parishes around the country.

The victim, now 27, put his head down as the verdicts were announced after a trial that turned on the reliability of what he claimed were recovered memories of the long-ago abuse. Shanley showed no emo-tion as he stood next to his attorneys.

The jury of seven men and five women deliberated about 13 hours over five days

before reaching its verdict. Shanley, 74, faces up to life in prison for two counts each of child rape and indecent assault and battery on a child.

The accuser broke down on the stand as he testified in graphic detail that Shanley pulled him out of Sunday morning catechism classes and raped and groped him in the church bathroom, the rectory, the confessional and the pews starting when he

The man, now a firefighter in suburban Boston, said that he repressed his memories of the abuse but that they came floodnews coverage of the scandal that began in soon engulfed the church worldwide, "It felt awful," he testified, "He told me nobody would ever believe me if I told anybody.

The defense called just one witness — a psychologist who said that so-called recovered memories can be false, even if the accuser ardently believes they are true. Shan ley's lawyer argued that the man who accused Shanley was either mistaken or concocted the story with the help of personal injury lawyers to cash in on a multimillion-dollar settlement resulting from the sex scandal.

The lone accuser in the criminal trial was one of at least two dozen men who

claimed they had been molested by Shanlev, who was a parish priest in Newton, a suburb about 10 miles west of Boston.

The archdiocese's own personnel records showed that church officials knew Shanley publicly advocated sex between men and boys, yet continued to transfer him from parish to parish.

Prosecutors said the accuser had no financial motivation in accusing Shanley of rape in the criminal case because he received his \$500,000 settlement with the archdiocese nearly a year ago. They also cited his three days on stand, during which he sobbed and begged the judge not to

force him to continue testifying.
"The emotions were raw. They were real," prosecutor Lynn Rooney said in closing arguments.

# Second-longest serving Navy chief says he'll retire this summer

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Adm. Vern Clark, the Navy's top officer, said Monday he will retire this summer after five years as chief of naval operations — the second-longest tenure in the history of the Navy.

"It is our view that it is about time to turn over the reins to the next generation," Clark, 60, told reporters at a conference in Alexandria, Va., according to a Navy transcript of his remarks.

the job 2000 three months before the terrorist attack on the USS in Aden

Yemen, that killed 17 sailors. He has been consid-

ered an innovative leader who has fundamentally altered the



bat readiness of its 12 aircraft car-

The Sioux City, Iowa, native said he has submitted his retire-ment papers but not set a specific date. The only Navy chief to serve longer was Adm. Arleigh Burke. from August 1955 to August 1961.

Clark was commissioned in the Navy in August 1968. A chief of naval operations nor-

mally serves for four years, but in the summer of 2003 — one year before Clark's term was to end Defense Secretary Donald H.

Rumsfeld took the unusual step of asking Clark to extend his service. Congress passed a law permitting him to be reappointed for up to two years, which means Clark could have stayed in the job

until July 2006. Clark said his decision to leave this summer instead of next summer did not reflect any dissatisfaction. "This is about the right time to go," he said. "And frankly, you know this is a challenging job. Five years is a long time, and I think five years is about the

Vice Adm. Robert F. Willard has been nominated for appointment to the rank of admiral and assignment as vice chief of naval operations. He would replace Adm. John B. Nathman, who has been nominated for assignment as commander of U. S. Fleet Forces Command

Nathman would replace Adm. William J. Fallon, who has been nominated to be the next commander of U.S. Pacific Com-



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31	GOLF	•(4:30) European F Classic Final Rou		Golf Central	Golf Channel     Academy	●Golf With Style	Shawn Humphries.		Golf Academy Liv     Butch Harmon.		•Golf Central	Golf Channel     Academy	Golf With Style
32	TLC	(5:00) America's U		While You Were Ou rational space for th Our Strength. (N)	e workers of Share	ugliest kitchen in ho	pes of winning a stat	e-of-the-art kitchen r	nakeover.	rational space for the workers of Share hasn' Our Strength.		In a Fix "Inside Outside" A carpenter hasn't had time to finish his own dining room. (CC)	
34	TOON	Powerpuff Girls!	Dexter's Laborato- ry	ardly Dog	He-Man and the Masters of the Universe	Justice League	Teen Titans	Cartoon Cartoon (		Samurai Jack	He-Man and the Masters of the Universe	What's New Scoo- by-Doo?	
35	ANPL	The Jeff Corwin Ex tween the Tiger and tiger; lion. (CC)	the Lion' Bengal	Animal Cops Hous dramatic raid is stag (CC)	ed at a puppy mil.	hunt side by side. (0	p carnivores live and CO)	tween the Tiger and tiger; lion. (CC)		dramatic raid is star (CC)	ged at a puppy mill.	The Most Extreme ing down the top 10 (CC)	animal daredevils.
36	сом	Crank Yankers Tra- cy Morgan. (N) (CC)	South Park "Fat Camp" Cartman goes to fat camp.	South Park The boys become Japanese warriors.	Distraction Wrestlers body slam contestants. (CC)	The Daily Show With Jon Stewart John Leguizamo.	The Daily Show With Jon Stewart Seymour Hersh.	South Park The boys become Japanese warriors.	Distraction Wrestlers body slam contestants. (CC)	The Daily Show With Jon Stewart John Leguizamo.	The Daily Show With Jon Stewart Seymour Hersh.	Drawn Together A producer-initiated challenge. (CC)	Kid Notorious Gang members star in a musical.
40	NGC-A	Secret China		Snake Wranglers	Croc Chronicles	Dogs With Jobs	To Be Announced	To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced	To Be Announced
42	SPIKE	The Club (Season i		shon. An ambitious	95, Drama) Elizabeth dancer makes a bid t	or Las Vegas succes	is. (CC)	World's Wildest Po		Blind Date (CC)	Shipmates	caught on videotape	e Cheating spouses
43	FOX	That '70s Show Hyde finds his long- lost dad.	Bob. (CC)	"Sideshow Bob's Last Gleaming"	Seinfeld George's and Susan's par- ents dine. (CC)	fore Paula Abdul, S Randy Jackson. (N)	imon Cowell and (CC)	The Simple Life: In Nicole work as med body shop and in a	hanics in an auto mailroom. (N)	News		The Simpsons Former President Bush moves in.	Seinfeld Jerry buy his father an orga- nizer. (CC)
44	BET	Last" (CC)	Girlfriends "Han- dling Baggage"	Club Comic View N		BET Nightly News (CC)	-	College Hill	College Hill	College Hill	College Hill	College Hill	College Hill
46	COURT	NYPD Blue "Lost Ti decides to leave the prey on the elderly." The Simpsons	precinct; robbers (CC)	Cops Police pursue drivers in stolen cars. (CC)		The Investigators ' al Killer' Serial killer	8.	Forensic Files (N)	Psychic Detec- tives An air-tight al- ibi.	Dominick Dunne: Justice 'Dean Milo Ohio millionaire. (N Third Watch (CC)	The murder of an	Caught People fall prey to temptation.	Masterminds
48	STR-WLD	(CC)	The Drew Carey Show (CC)	Asia	Friends (CC)	American Idol (CC		American Idol (CC	,			Friends (CC)	American Idol (CC)
50	LIFE	(CC)	-	nedy-Drama) James s meet a dark end in		The Nanny "Cali- fornia Here We Come" (CC)	The Golden Girls The girls compete on game show.	The Nanny Fran's mother contem- plates an affair.	The Golden Girls The roommates seek counseling.	The Division A dea leads the investigat dled with greed. (Co	ors to a family rid- C)	Suddenly Susan Susan joins a bas- ketball team. (CC)	Paid Program
51	ABCFAM	(5:00) "Searching f (2004, Drama) Dani Ricky Ullman. (CC)		aire." (CC)	Whose Line Is It Anyway? "Song Styles." (CC)	The 700 Club A co free. (CC)		America's Funni- est Home Videos Cockatoo. (CC)	America's Funni- est Home Videos A hand puppet.	Guthy-Renker.com		The 700 Club A co free. (CC)	
53	HIST	Full Throttle "Ford i truck. (N) (CC)		Modern Marvels "V chines 3" Large mad	chines. (N) (CC)	Dead Men's Secret Arsenal" The Axis P ic arms race during	owers lose an atom- World War II.	Modern Marvels "E truck. (CC)		Full Throttle "Ford truck. (CC)		Modern Marvels 'V chines 3" Large ma	chines. (CC)
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58	ADV 1	To Be Announced			<ul> <li>Adventure Challe</li> </ul>		Shoot the Crea- ture	Chasing Time	Game for It	To Be Announced		Next Wave	Total Adventure (CC)
59	MTV	& Jessica "Nick's Lawn"	Newlyweds: Nick & Jessica "The Newlyweds"	& Jessica (Season Premiere) (N)	Premiere) (N)	16	The Real World "Philadelphia" Sarah hooks up.	The Real World "Philadelphia" (CC)	Room Raiders	Wanna Come In?	Wanna Come In?	Room Raiders	Room Raiders "Mi ami"
60	NICK	My Life as a Teenage Robot Dog-like robot. (N)	Rugrats Angelica auditions siblings. (CC)	The Adventures of Jimmy Neutron: Boy Genius	The Fairly Odd- Parents Timmy be- comes popular.	SpongeBob SquarePants Bub- bles; torn pants.	Unfabulous "The Rep" Cliques. (CC)	Full House Jesse and Joey miss be- ing at home. (CC)	Full House Joey and Danny recall meeting. (CC)	Murphy Brown Murphy begins la- bor on camera.	Murphy Brown Murphy faces new motherhood. (CC)	Murphy Brown Murphy faces new motherhood. (CC)	Murphy Brown A change in manage- ment at FYI.

Morning 10:25 Korean Drama: SangDoo! Let's Go To School O.S.T. (4)

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Afternoon
1230 CSL Crime Scene Investigation (12)
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Morning 6:15 World News

6:15 World NewS 7:15 World NewS 8:15 World NewS Hour 10:10 BS Documentary: Fuel Leak and Clean-Up (r) 11:15 CNN NewS

11.15 CNN Nevs Afternoon
2.11.1 ARC Never Afternoon
2.00.1 CNN Neves
2.00.2 MOS FIA World Cup Soccer Asian Pre2.10.2 MOS FIA World Cup Soccer Asian Pre2.10.1 ARC Never School
2.00.1 Rev. Today. North Korea
9.03 Never School
2.11.1 Rev. Today. World
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10:40 Economic News 11:15 2005 World Alpine Skling Champion-ships: Men's Glant Slalom (r) 1:15 NBA: Phoenix Suns vs. Sacramento Kings 3:15 Asian News 4:15 Asian News 5:15 World News Hour JAPAN TV-BS11

10:40 Economic News

Morning
9:50 Aerobica
9:50 Aerobica
Music: Leipzig St. Thomas
Choir Concert (r)
Afternson
10:00 Afternson
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# MTV

Morning 6:00 Wake Up! 7:00 M Size Tuesday 8:00 Top Choice 10:00 Pure Music 11:00 Top Choice Afternoon 1:00 Top Choice 2:00 Pure Music 3:00 Top Choice 5:00 U.S. Top 10 Evening Evening

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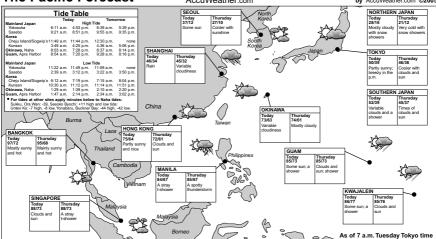
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### **Extended Forecasts**

Friday: Partly sunny, high 43, low 34. Saturday: Partly sunny high 41 low 32

### KADENA Friday: Showers,

high 75, low 61. Saturday: Periods of clouds and sunshine. high 74, low 64

# SEOUL

Friday: Sunny, high 25, low 14. Saturday: Partly sunny, high 27 low 16

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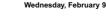
Friday: Partly sunny, high 87, low 69. Saturday: Partly sunny, high 87, low 69.

### HAGATNA

Friday: Partly sunny, high 87, low 75. Saturday: Partly sunny, high 85, low 73

## Monday's USA Temperatures

CITY	HIGH/I OW	CITY	HIGH/I OW
Albuquerque	49/34	Los Angeles	61/48
Amarillo	50/33	Little Rock	64/44
Anchorage	30/25	Louisville	55/47
Asheville	59/38	Miami	77/63
Baltimore	56/33	Milwaukee	41/26
Birmingham	69/53	Nashville	60/49
Bismarck	6/-6	New York	50/40
Boise	42/22	Omaha	24/10
Boston	43/34	Orlando	75/52
Brownsville	79/62	Philadelphia	55/34
Buffalo	51/38	Phoenix	64/48
Burlington	49/30	Pittsburgh	57/42
Charleston, S	C 65/39	Portland, OR	48/32
Charlotte	65/40	Portland, ME	45/26
Cleveland	52/41	Salt Lake City	37/22
Columbus, OF	57/42	St. Louis	55/33
Duluth	15/0	San Antonio	68/48
El Paso	58/40	San Diego	62/52
Hartford	49/26	San Juan	82/68
Helena	22/8	Tampa	76/56
Indianapolis	50/40	Tulsa	45/30
Jacksonville	69/46	Washington, D	C 57/40
Kansas City	34/20	Wichita	34/27





is noon position of precipitation. Forecats highs/lows are for selected cities

# U.S. Extended Forecast

Colder air will continue to vacate the eastern United States Wednesday with a strong area of high pressure just south of the Hudson Bay expediting the process. A weak storm system off the Atlantic coast will provide just enough moisture to produce some light snow across the Midwest and mid-Atlantic states. Meanwhile, another storm system developing over the southeast will lead to a rainy day on Wednesday from Georgia to eastern Texas. This storm may wreak havoc on parts of the Northeast with potentially heavy snow on Thursday as it lifts north and deepens. Weather will improve across the East on Friday.

### Wednesday's Pacific Temperatures

### Wednesday's World Temperatures

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CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY I	IIGH/LOW
Bangkok	97/72	lwakuni	52/36	Sasebo NB	51/39	Acapulco	91/73	Budapest	34/17	Kabul	35/13	Nairobi	86/54
Beijing	32/12	Kadena AB	73/63	Sapporo	28/16	Athens	45/39	Buenos Aires	88/63	Kiev	21/14	New Delhi	70/42
Camp Casey	36/16	Kunsan AB	41/25	Seoul	37/12	Auckland	78/62	Cairo	62/37	Kuwait	55/33	Oslo	32/32
Christchurch	79/65	Kwajalein	86/77	Shanghai	46/34	Baghdad	47/22	Cancun	81/66	London	50/41	Paris	45/42
Diego Garcia	87/78	Manila	84/67	Singapore	88/73	Barbados	85/69	Cape Town	82/64	Madrid	47/31	Rio de Janeiro	75/66
Hagatna	85/73	Misawa AB	37/18	Sydney	86/55	Barcelona	55/38	Geneva	44/29	Mexico City	75/48	Rome	50/33
Hanoi	77/65	Osan	37/18	Taegu	47/27	Berlin	34/27	Istanbul	33/23	Montreal	35/21	St. Petersburg	28/16
Hong Kong	75/64	Perth	84/64	Taipei	77/66	Bermuda	70/58	Jerusalem	45/37	Mogadishu	92/78	Stockholm	34/33
Honolulu	83/68	Pusan	48/30	Tokyo	50/39	Brussels	43/35	Johannesbur	g 79/58	Moscow	27/16	Warsaw	30/18



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# STARS STRIPES | LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Army bonus policy unfair

This is in reference to bonuses offered in the Army, which I find to be unfair.

I re-enlisted in November for an additional three years of reserve time. By December the bonus changed from the \$2,500 I received to \$5,000. In January it changed again to \$7,500.

I think this is ridiculous and unfair. We all deserve to receive the best bonus the Army can offer. I also saw my other soldiers re-enlist for indefinite contracts and not be entitled to receive any Army bonus. I think the Army needs to change its poli-

cy of only receiving one bonus for re-enlist ment throughout your Army career. Many civilian jobs give their employees a bonus throughout their years of service. Why can't the Army offer this? This should in clude the soldiers with 16 years or more of service, who only need a few more years to complete their 20 years of service

It would be smart of the Army if it tried to keep the soldiers who have more than 10 years of service because of their increased level of expertise and loyalty Staff Sot Samantha Urihe

## Separation allowance not clear

I am a National Guard soldier who has been deployed in Iraq since April 2004. I had a son who was born in June 2004 while I was deployed. I figured that I would qualify for family separation allowance since I consider my son to be family and, because of deployment, I will miss the first 10 months of his life.

But when I went to the finance office I was told I do not qualify for family separation allowance because I am not married. If you must be married to receive it. I think the military should give it a less-deceiving name, such as spousal separation allowance. I think that would alleviate some of the confusion for unmarried sol diers with children.

Sot Chris Rudd Baghdad

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### Service itself is recognition

The Combat Infantry Badge (otherwise referred to as the CIB) seems to be the topic of discussion as of late. It seems like everyone in the Army has put in his or her two cents' worth on this subject; guess it's

time to hear mine now.
The name says it all: Combat Infantry Badge. Enough said. I am a logistics offic er who has been deployed in the war on terrorism and I, like many others who hold a noninfantry military occupational specialty, have been shot at and returned fire with the enemy. Do I think that I deserve the CIB for this? No.

One writer states that he thinks that he should receive the CIB because he has been out on convoys and has had mortar rounds land inside his forward operating base. Guess what, that is war! He should

keen his head down and use his training The writer also states that he wants his "silly little badge" to make him feel proud of what he's done. If he can't feel proud of

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what he has done by just looking over on his right shoulder as a permanent remind-er of where he has been and what he has done, he needs to rethink why he serves. If he's in this business for the medals and badges, maybe he needs to find something

Capt. Heath Hawkes Utapao, Thailand

### In AAFES' interest only

I asked a few people I know what they remember about the Army and Air Force Exchange Service's announcements around the gas-policy change. Everyone said the same thing, that it would be based on the previous month's average price. So now it's the previous five weeks? Way to change the rules as you go, AAFES.

Now the excuse is that the new gas poliis in our best interests. I suppose we, at Yokota, should just line up at AAFES offices to thank officials profusely for watching out for us? How is this "policy" benefiting the customer? Morale, Welfare and Recreation doesn't seem to be seeing any of the money from the price increases. What's your answer, AAFES?

I learned long ago that it is pointless to complain to AAFES personally. I'll never forget being told that AAFES doesn't stock larger-size clothes regularly because people that size are "not in our majority." AAFES makes more than enough money from customers on bases around the world. Why do officials choose to gouge customers at every turn? If AAFES is paying \$1.38 per gallon of gas, there is abs lutely no reason why officials cannot pass on some savings to customers.

AAFES charges 5 percent over prime for its credit card, why not 5 percent over costs for its gas? I know, I know, in a perfect world that might happen.

That's fine. As long as AAFES keeps giving out completely lame and baseless answers such as, "in our best interests," I will continue to support my local Japanese economy. I encourage those who have the

means to do the same thing. Like I said before, the more of us who do, the louder we

> Steve Sharp Yokota Air Base, Japan

# Clean the crystal ball, AAFES

### How does the Army and Air Force Exchange Service figure its gas pricing is comparative with the United States?

I returned to the United States the last week of November, returning to South Korea during the first part of December. Just before my departure, the Camp Walk-er Gas Station price was \$2.06 for a gallon of 94 octane unleaded gasoline. During my visit to Texas, I noticed that supreme unleaded gasoline was an average of \$1.90 per gallon at most stations. When I returned to South Korea, I immediately found that the same gasoline at Camp Walker was now \$2.10 for a gallon of the

same 94 octane unleaded gasoline. What part of "comparative with the United States" did I miss? I would hope that AAFES wipes the

cloudy fog from its gasoline-pricing crys-David C Fenrich

Camp Henry, South Korea

# Writer's argument falls down

William Johnson's letter concerning the egregious infringement on his constitutional rights as an American citizen by the commander of the U.S. military forces in Korea ("Curfew infringes on rights," Jan. 31) seems a bit garbled to me.

First, Johnson is not in the United States but in South Korea; therefore, he is no long-er afforded the full protection of the Constitution that he and his family have in the United States. To clarify his status, I suggest he first look at the last page of his passport. If there is a printed statement there saying the passport was issued only for use in connection with the bearer's residence abroad as a member of the U.S. military, then, yes, the military theater commander's edicts concerning curfew certainly apply to him. Second, he might check in his wallet and see if he carries a U.S. government light tan identification card with the American eagle and his picture on the front (you know, the one that he and his family must show to use the commissary, exchange and medical facilities of the military); then again, yes, he is a part of the military community.

Now, if he doesn't like that, then he can follow my mother's advice to me as a young chap when she would say that if I didn't like a particular thing or situation I would just have to lump it! Well. I have done considerable "lumping" in my life, which is just another way of adjusting one's life and attitudes to reality. As a final recommendation and as a

means for Johnson and his family to again realize the full protection afforded we Americans by our Constitution, then they can go to the nearest civilian airport in South Korea and purchase tickets for their return trip to the good old U.S. of A. Floyd Jack

Kadena Air Base, Okinawa By GARRY TRUDEAU

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# OPINION

# Search for WMD in Iraq no blueprint for Iran

ne year ago I told the Senate Armed Services Committee that I had concluded "we were almost all wrong" at the time of the Iraq war about that country's activities with re gard to weapons of mass destruction - and never more wrong than in the assessment that Iraq had a resurgent program on the verge of producing nuclear weapons. I testified about what I saw as the major reasons we got it so wrong, and I urged the estab lishment of an independent commission to examine this failure and begin the long-overdue process of adjusting our intelligence capabilities to the new national security environment we face. It is an environment dominated by too-easy access to weapons of mass destruction capabilities and to the means of concealing such capabilities from international inspection and national intelligence agencies.

A year later we are still awaiting the independent commission's report. The discussion of intelligence reform has focused on reordering and adding structure on top of an eroded intelligence foundation. And now we hear the drumrolls again, this time announcing an accelerating nuclear weapons program in Iran.

There is an eerie similarity to the events preceding the Iraq war.

The International Atomic Energy Agen cy has announced that while Iran now admits having concealed for 18 years nuclear activities that should have been reported to the IAEA, it has found no evidence of a nuclear weapons program. Iran says it is now cooperating fully with international inspections, and it denies having anything but a peaceful nuclear energy program.

Vice President Dick Cheney is giving interviews and speeches that paint a stark picture of a soon-to-be-nuclear-armed Iran and declaring that this is something the Bush administration will not tolerate.

Iranian exiles are providing the press and governments with a steady stream of new "evidence" concerning Iran's nuclear

weapons activities. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice has warned that Iran will not be allowed to use the cover of civilian nuclear power to acquire nuclear weapons, but says an attack on Iran is "not on the agenda at this point." U.S. allies, while saying they share the concern over Iran's nuclear ambi tions, remain determined to pursue diplomacy and say they cannot conceive of any circumstance that would lead them to use military force. And the press is beginning to uncover U.S. moves that seem designed to lay the basis for military action against

Now is the time to recall what went wrong with the assessment of Iraq's WMD program and try to avoid repeating those mistakes in Iran. Five steps are essential.

First, accept the fact that the past cannot be undone. Iran has, by its own admission. engaged for at least 18 years in clandestine nuclear activities that now give it the basis, if it chooses, to pursue nuclear weapons That knowledge cannot be eliminated so it is nonsense to talk about eliminating Iran's nuclear capabilities short of war and occupation. The goal, and one that is reachable, is to craft a set of tools and transparency measures that so tie Iran's nuclear activities to the larger world of peaceful nuclear activities that any attempt to push ahead on the weapons front would be detectable and very disruptive for Iran.

Second, acknowledge that dissidents and exiles have their own agenda - regime change - and that before being accepted as truth any "evidence" they might supply concerning Iran's nuclear program must be tested and confirmed by other sources. And those other sources should not be, as they often were in the case of Iraq, simply other exiles, or the same information being recycled among intelligence agencies.

Third, acknowledge what inspections by the IAEA can do, and do not denigrate the agency for what it cannot do. International inspection, when it works, is best at confirming whether a state is complying with its international obligations. It is not



equipped to uncover clandestine weapons programs. When Mohamed ElBaradei says his IAEA has found no evidence of an Irania an nuclear weapons program, he is speaking honestly as to the limitations of the pow ers of his inspectors. Rather than ridiculing him and the IAEA we should acknowledge what they have accomplished in determining that Iran has not lived up to its obliga tions and concentrate on how we can use international inspections to uncover - more quickly, one hopes — any future violations.

Fourth, understand that overheated rhetoric from policy-makers and senior administration officials, unsupported by evidence that can stand international scrutiny, undermines the ability of the United States to halt Iran's nuclear activities. Having gone to the United Nations Security Council on the basis of flawed evidence to "prove" Iraq's WMD activities, it only invites derision to cite unsubstantiated exile reports "prove" that Iran is developing nuclear

Fifth, a National Intelligence Estimate as

to Iran's nuclear activities should not be a rushed and cooked document used to justify the threat of military action. Now is the time for serious analysis that genuinely tries to pull together all the evidence and an alytical skills of the vast U.S. intelligence community to reach the best possible judgment on the status of that program and the gaps in our knowledge. That assessment should not be led by a team that is trying to prove a case for its boss. Now is the time to reach outside the secret brotherhood and pull in respected outsiders to lead the as-

Nuclear weapons in the hands of Iran would be a grave danger to the world. That is not what is in doubt. What is in doubt is the ability of the U.S. government to honestly assess Iran's nuclear status and to craft a set of measures that will cope with that threat short of military action by the United States or Israel.

David Kay was the first leader of the Iraq Survey Group searching for weapons of mass destruction in Iraq. He resigned a year ago. This column first appeared in The Washington Post.

# Oil-for-food report rightly spreads around blame

The Washington Post

he first and most important point to make about the preliminary report on corruption in the United Nations' oil-for-food program is that it is not a whitewash. Despite dark hints that Paul Volcker, the former Federal Reserve chairman who led the investigation, was too chummy with the U.N. bosses, Thursday's report did name names. Most notably, it accused Benon Sevan of having received the rights to nurchase millions of barrels of discounted oil from Iraqi officials while he was serving as the director of the oil-for-food program

Suspicions that Kofi Annan, the U.N. secretary-general, would try to sweep the story under the carpet also have not proven correct. Annan has announced that he will pursue disciplinary proceedings against Sevan and other U.N. officials.

The question now is what, if anything, these findings say about the United Nations itself. Congressional critics who see something unique or unusual in this report of U.N. corruption should look harder at the behavior of American. British and other companies in Iraq during that peri od: The vast majority of the oil smuggling had nothing to do with the United Nations and everything to do with the Western companies and governments that were benefiting, one way or another, from the Iraqi sanctions. More to the point, U.N. Security

Council members, including the United States, turned a blind eye to allegations of corruption while it was going on, and they may have even used it to benefit U.S. allies in the region Volcker has said that he has found more openness and willingness to share documents about these issues in the United Nations than in some corners of the U.S. government.

It is also true, however, that the oil-for-food scandal should provide a lesson for those who continue to believe that the United Nations can or should play a larger political role than it does today.

The U.N. serves many useful and necessary functions, including the coordination of international relief. Peacekeeping troops flying the U.N. flag can help monitor cease-fires in regions where there is a genuine peace to keep. But this is an organization that is severely limited in its capacity to manage complex financial and political programs, both by its necessarily politicized hiring practices and by its lack of

funds. It is not an organization that can operate well in war zones such as Bosnia or Congo, or in deeply corrupt countries such as Saddam Hussein's Iraq.

The U.N. oil-for-food report should not be used as yet another excuse for U.N.-bashing by citizens of countries whose governments behaved at least as badly in pre-war Iraq. At the same time, it should force those in this country and around the world who believe that international organizations will soon take the place of nation-states to think twice.

# Mallard Fillmore

BY BRUCE TINSLEY



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### Gators are phony

AL HUNTSVILLE—Alligator heads are popping up in the pond at the University of Alabama at Huntsville, but don't worry. Officials say it's just

Officials say it's just ducky.

The life-size, ure-thane-foam alligator heads were being put in the pond to scare away ducks and geses so the growing bird population will not become a

health hazard. The "Gator Guard" from Bird-X Inc. costs \$69 and has reflective orange-yellow eyes that resemble

one of the birds' natural predators.
"Our fear is that we'll put them
out and the ducks will figure out
they're not a threat," said Marcia
Green, director of the UAH office
of environmental health and safety

### Good deed gone bad

DURANGO — Two teenage girls who surprised their neighbors with homemade cookies late one night were ordered to pay nearly \$900 in medical bills for a woman who says she was so startled that she had to go to the hospital.

Taylor Ostergaard, 17, and Lindsey Jo Zelliti. 18, baked the chocolate chip and sugar cookies one night last July. They made packages with a half-drozen cookies each and added large red or pink construction-paper hearts that carried the message. "Have a great night" and were signed with their first initials: "Love, The T and L Club."

tials: "Love, The T and L Club."
Wanita Renea Young, 49, said
she was at her rural home south of
Durango around 10:30 p.m. when
she said she saw "shadowy figures" outside the house banging repeatedly on her door. She yelled,
"Who's there?" but no one answered, and the figures ran away.

Frightened, she spent the night at her sister's home, then went to the hospital the next morning because she was still shaking and had an upset stomach.

### **ID** theft charges

BURLINGTON — A woman accused of using the Internet to make it appear that she was being harassed has pleaded not guilty to a felony charge of identity theff

Police officials said Bess Caney, 27, created an e-mail address with a former co-worker's name to send harassing, e-mails to herself. She is accused of then forwarding those messages to friends in an attempt to portray the former co-worker, Jeanne Landau, as unstable, according to documents filled in Vermont District Court in Burlington. Delto reside the property of the control of the property of the control of the control

Police said Landau had recently begun dating one of Carney's friends. Carney also was charged with

carney also was charged with misdemeanors of making false reports to law enforcement and unauthorized access to a computer.

Each misdemeanor carries a maximum punishment of six months in prison and a \$500 fine. The felony charge could lead to as long as three years in prison and a \$5,000 fine.

# **Bomb threats continue**

GA AUGUSTA — Bomb threats at Glenn Hills Middle School have become so common that some students bring foot-



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balls and playing cards to pass the time during evacuations, police say. More than a dozen threats since the school year began, including seven the week of Jan. 10, have led to three arrests, but the calles continue. Police say the callers sound young and use tricks to evade caller ID.

### **Education assistance**

PA HARRISBURG The Pennsylvania Higher Caction Assistance Agency and Gov. Ed Rendell amounced that PHEAA will add \$45 million to its need-based college grant program and create a \$10 million grant program for working adults who want to return to school. Earnings from the agency's student-loan programs will fund the expansion.

## Windy City tainted

Mayor Richard M. Daley said a series of contracting and police scandals had hurt the city's reputation and brought in a team of managers to help crack down on fraud.

Chicago has a long history of corruption and scandals, but the past few months have been especially bad, with campaign donors, contractors, former city workers and police officers facing federal corruption charges in separate investigations.

gations.
"I am concerned that our city's integrity has been harmed, our reputation tarnished," Daley said, I know that some people think this is just business as usual. That is a very cynical view of government.



# In the buckets Four trucks from Rochester Gas &

Four trucks from Rochester Gas & Electric work on power lines along a road in Canandaiuga, N.Y. It is something I do not accept."

Daley appointed Mary Dempsey, the commissioner of the Chicago Public Library system to spend six

Chilago Public Library system, to spend six months cleaning out fraud in programs in which city contracts are set aside for companies that are owned and operated by women and minorities. He appointed two former federal prosecutors to work with her

He also announced that from now on, the city would insist on more information about contractors who seek minority and female set-aside contracts to be sure they "are who they say they are and are doing the work they're paid to do."

### Confession to cheating

GYPSUM — A high school graduate has confessed to cheating on an English literature test — 47 years ago.

Eagle Valley High School Principal Mark Strakbein said he got a one-page, handwritten letter from a 65-year-old grandmother of five who admitted she and a friend stole the answers to a Shakespeare test in the fall of 1957.

"I know it makes no difference now (after 47 years), except maybe this will keep some student from cheating and help them to be honest — conscience never lets you forget — there is forgiveness with God, and I have that, but I felt I still needed to confess to the school."

Strakbein didn't release the woman's name but said he confirmed she graduated in 1958 from Eagle County High School, which has since been consolidated into Eagle Valley High.

Strakbein said he read the letter

Strakbein said he read the letter aloud to every homeroom class as a lesson in following your conscience.

science.
"You could have heard a pin drop," he said.

### Poisonous food chain

CA SIMI VALLEY — The National Park Service says tests showed two mountain lions found in December died of anticoagulant poisoning from the active ingredients in household rat and mice poisons. Officials suspect lions were poisoned by eating coyotes that had eaten poisoned rats or mice.

### Child abuse sentencing

TX HOUSTON — Jurors began considering how a Houston man convicted of the aggravated sexual assault of a 6-week-old baby should be pumished.

Keith Samuel Cook was found guilty by a Harris County grand jury of the Feb. 20, 2003, assault. He faces a sentence ranging from probation to life in prison.

When the two-day trial began, Assistant District Attorney Murray Newman told jurors it was one of the most disturbing he's seen.

The child's mother, Eugenia White, 28, has been charged with failure to report child abuse. She had been dating Cook for about six months and prosecutors say she claimed she had accidentally scratched the baby while changing a dianer,

A day after the assault, the infant was taken to a medical center, which rushed her to a children's hospital for surgery. When doctors and social work-

when doctors and social workers questioned White's story, she blamed Cook.



Bull 1 run Dwayne Hargo competes in a bull-riding event during the Los Fresnos PRCA Rodeo, held in conjunction with the 16th annual Cameron County Fair and Livestock Show in Los Fresnos, Texas. The PRCA is the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association.



Bad slide Jason Moore tumbles down a sledding hill after he flipped off of his sled during the 68th Annual Laskiainen Festival in Palo, Minn. Despite the spill Moore was unhurt and climbed back up for another run down the hill.



New England surfing rules A surfer rides turbulent Atlantic Ocean waves near Jenness Beach in Rye, N.H., during sundown.



Boarding in the sun

Beady eyes

Shelden Waterman practices a jump on his snowboard during the Snowfari event in Utica, N.Y.



Building blocks Robbi Fryer, 7, contemplates how high cover as she participates in a construction competition called the Block Kids Building Program in Maple Heights, Ohio.



Lone ranger
Brenda Harris, with the Bexar

Brenda Harris, with the Bexar County Palamino Patrol Drill Team, carries the American flag prior to the matinee performance of the San Antonio Rodeo at the SBC Center in San Antonio.



Riders in the Krewe of Iris float throw beads to a crowd in New Orleans. Mardi Gras parades and activities are to continue through Fat Tuesday.

### Outlaw freed

BOISE — Idaho's most infamous outlaw, Claude Dallas, was released from prison after serving 22 years for the execution-style slayings of two state officers in 1981.

Dallas, 54, gained notoriety as a callous criminal and a modern-day mountain man at odds with the government. He was released after his 30-year term was cut by eight years for good behavior.

He was convicted of manslaughter in 1982 for the shooting deaths of Conley Elms and Bill Pogue, officers for the Idaho Department of Fish and Game who were investigating reports of bobcat poaching by Dallas in remote southeast Idaho.

Pogue, who had drawn his own weapon, was hit first with a shot from Dallas' handgun. Dallas then shot Elms two times in the chest before using a rifle to fire one round into each man's head.

The case made national headlines and turned Dallas into an anti-government folk hero for some — a reputation only heightneed by a 1986 jailbreak. Dallas hid for nearly a year before he was caught and sent back to prison. He was charged in the scape, but acquitted by a jury after he testified he had to break out because prison guards threatened his life.

### Officer resigns

LEMINGTONA — Police officer accused of beljung cover up a fatal shooting at the
home of former NRA star Jayson
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formstfire officer Eric Allena, 30, agreed to
resign from the department of
ment. He was charged with official
misconduct and witness tamperjung.

### Tree disease concerns

MINNEAPOLIS — Conditions exist for a Dutch elm emergency in Minneapolis, with high potential for losing more of the leafy urban canopy, officials said

said.

The cause for concern: Last year, for the first time since the 1970s, Minneapolis saw a near tribing of public trees afflicted with Dutch elm disease. In an average year, the city targets 1,500 trees on public land for ellmination because of the disease, which is caused by a fungus spread by a because of the the incause of the classes, which is caused by a fungus spread by a because of the number hit 4,500, said Commissioner John Erwin of the Minneapolis Park and Recre-

In all, the city ordered the destruction of 9,914 elms, the third most in a year, behind 1977 and 1978. In 2003 the city ordered fewer than 4,000 destroyed.

"We had such a dramatic boom that we fear for the whole city," Erwin said. "We are doing nothing but cutting down trees, and we can't keep up."

### Another bright idea

WV HUNTINGTON — A team of inventors has a bright idea — a better light bulb.

To demonstrate the durability of

a new kind of light bulb, Richard Begley tossed one on the ground and dipped another one under water. "Would you do that with a regu-

lar bulb?" the Marshall University

researcher asked.

The U.S. Patent and Trade office recently granted a patent for the solid-state Electro Ceramescent lighting technology, which was developed by Begley, an engineering professor, Michael Norton, a chemstry professor, and researchers from Alfred University College of Ceramics in New York and Lewisburg-based Meadow River Enterprises Inc.

The inventors are now entertaining contract offers for commercial applications for the ceramic-on-steel lights, which they say could lead to hundreds of new jobs in West Virginia.

A square foot of the new light panels consumes one-quarter of a watt or power, said Don Osborne, president of Meadow River Enterprises.

Researchers estimate the bulbs can emit their soft greenish light for 50,000 hours — or more than five years — without much maintenance.

## Polygamist wants appeal

SALT LAKE CITY — Rodney Holm, a former police officer convicted of bigamy and illegal sex with an underrage girl, appeand Court. Holm's attorney argued that polygamy is a constitutional right. Holm was found guilty in August 2003 and sentenced to a year in jail. His conviction stemmed from his union with his third wife, who was 16 at the time.

## Development near gorge

WV CHARLESTON—A developer wants to build as many as 2,200 homes along a 10-mile stretch of the rim of the scenic New River Gorge, drawing protests from National Park Service officials.

The proposed Roaring River development would cover 4,300 acres on the west side of the deep gorge, northeast of the city of Beckley.

Developers plan homes ranging from small cabins to 3,000-square-foot "mountain estates."

Park service officials are concerned because a 613-acre section of the proposed development is on private land within the official boundary of the New River Gorge National River.

### Governor knocks \$20M

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Gov Matt Blunt, a strong
supporter of tort reform, is calling
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damages to the family of a deceased smoker. Blunt says awarded
wawards are hurting Missouri's business climate.

### Gambling on casinos

TOPEKA — Gambling lobbyists put forward a new proposal for state-owned casinos. Doug Lawrence, a lobbyist for the Kansas Greyhound Association, told the Senate Federal and State Affairs Committee the package could provide the state with as much as \$150 million for education, while tapping into a lucrative tourism industry in the fiscal year starting July 1.

Stories and photos from news wires

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# J Horoscope

Happy Chinese New Year, and welcome to the Year of the Rooster! This year is also called the Year of Yivou and according to the Chinese calendar is the **Holiday Mathis** 

year 4702. The last Yiyou year was 1945, which brought the end of World War II. Use the abundant Aquarian energy to postulate the end of a conflict and envision a brighter future.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (February 9). Your optimism makes all things possible. Working the kinks out of your personal life perhaps with the aid of a highly educated third party, paves the way for beautiful relationships You'll attract abundance this spring by accepting responsibility and embracing the habits of people already at the next financial level Love signs are Leo and Cancer.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You're holding a space open in your life to be filled by someone yet to arrive. At this very moment, the person could be starting the journey that will eventually lead to your heart. Keep the faith.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). The early hours are filled with small, unexceptional details that mean nothing until seen in hindsight. Later all the pieces fit together, and vou'll finally have your answer to that mind-boggling question

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Politics heat up at work. Remember that you aim to thrive, and that's what sets you apart from the others who are merely trying to stay in the game. Everything is easy when you're coming from the right frame of mind.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). A rapid and remarkable transformation is featured. Perhaps you're finally applying the information you've been gathering for weeks, and the result is brilliant. In matters of the heart. you are offered the naked truth.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Stakes are higher now and continue to elevate with the growing number of people involved in your scene. Lead the team, and encourage its members to think coherently, act together and recognize the opportunity at

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Something is going terribly right in your world! It's crucial to acknowl-

edge this so you are inspired to continue to create more

> if you don't know how you created it to begin with LIBRA (Sept.

23-Oct. 23). You're being graded and will probably react to this fact with instinctive caution. However, the less you care about how others rate you, the more likely you are to enjoy your

work. Dare to make an unpopular choice.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). There's a danger of becoming too mired in the details, semantics and structures of business and not having enough fun with your pro cess. The creative spark visits you when you let go of needing to be perfect

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Someone isn't telling you the whole truth, which prevents you from achieving all the success you desire. Approach opponents in a non-threatening way. Genuine curiosity drives you to the heart of the matter.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You could argue forever about whether or not a move was justified, but the fact remains, what's done is done. The sooner you accept the current circumstance, the sooner vou'll be emnowered to do something about it.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Usually, you're lighthearted about your friendships, but something is different now. You think hard about your partnerships and push them to be better. Your focus and inventiveness make you extraordinary.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Make a study of what it takes to do better than everyone else. This requires you put any prejudice you have aside and remain as onen a possible. (If you don't think you have prejudices, think again! Everyone does!)

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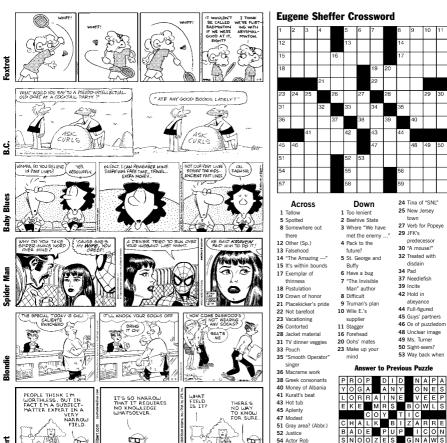












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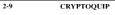
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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by Henri Arnold and Mike Argirion

# **Husband's flash fetish unwelcome**

Dear Abby: My husband, "Wilmer," and I are in our mid-50s We've been married 35 years, and for the most part we have gotten along great. However, for about the last 12 years, Wilmer has been on this kick that when we're on a road trip, he wants me to "flash" truckers. At times, he has even tried to get me to show

everything. I was raised to be modest and have told my husband repeatedly that I don't want to do it, that the mere suggestion makes me uncomfortable He says I'm not getting any younger and I'll regret it someday. Last weekend, we were on the road again, and he want-

ed me to do the trucker thing When I refused, I got the silent treatment for the rest of the trip. After we returned home, Wilm-

er and I were in our hot tub, and he said another trip had been "wasted" because I wouldn't cooperate.

I am not a prude. I enjoy sex

with my husband, but I'm not an exhibitionist. I have thought about talking to my pastor, but Wilmer would just say he's on my side because I believe in God and my husband is an atheist. Please help me.

I don't think our sey life needs a third party.

Dear Abby Ündercover Wife in S.C.

Dear Undercover Wife: Neither do I. What your husband is suggesting could cause a fatal accident. Please remind Wilmer that indecent exposure is a crime and that he is going to have to get his kicks somere else

Dear Abby: I'm 16 and a junior in high school. For the past year and a half, I have been taking ballroom dancing lessons and was assigned a teen age dance partner. To make a long story short, I fell for him. It

was a schoolgirl crush for a while, and I would call him daily.

decided to date me. It didn't last long. After six weeks we broke It turned out that he didn't really like me. We have sort of gone back to being friends.

Is there any way I can get over him quicker? I can't pretend he's dead or anything. How can I get the pain to stop so we can just be friends? I have to ballroom dance with him every week, and it hurts to waltz with someone you know doesn't reciprocate your feelings. - Takes Two to Tango

Dear Takes Two: The obvious answer would be to ask your teacher to assign you a different partner. However, if the two of you are dancing in competition and it's not practical, then you'll have to readjust the way you think about the young man. When you go to the dance floor, take a mental step backward. Tell yourself he is your business partner, because in a sense that's what he is. It might give you a different perspective.

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# A few months ago, he finally **Business bed antics merit a talk**

Dear Annie: My

husband of 30 years recently confessed that while on a business trin overseas, a young woman was sent to his room to sleep with him. Rather than turn her away, he said he felt obligated to let her in. According to him, she spent the night in the same bed, but absolutely nothing happened. He confessed

because he felt guilty, but also claims it was no big deal because there was no sex or anything. I am really upset about this He could have sent her away, or

if he felt so sorry for her, he could have slept on the floor. I believe that nothing happened, but I find it incredible that after 30 years of marriage, he'd share his bed with a strange woman and then think it doesn't merit discussion

I really need some feedback on this

- Disturbed Wife



Annie's Mailbox

Your husband may have believed it would insult his business associates if he turned the woman away. However there was no reason whatsoever for him to share his bed with her

Of course it merits discussion. We admire your confidence in his fidelity, and think the

least he can do is let you vent your hurt and disappointment, and do whatever is necessary to

help you get past this.

Dear Annie: My wife

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wound

- Don't Walk On My Lady Dear Don't Walk: Yes, it would

have been good manners for Nan to have offered the voucher to Donna, who then most likely would have refused to take it. Still, unless these treats are cutting into your budget, please don't interfere in your wife's personal choices. She will appreciate your trust in her decisions. Annie's Mailbox is written by Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar, longtime editors of the Ann Landers column. Please e-mail your questions to anniesmailbox@comcast.net. or write anniesmaiibox@comcast.net, or write to: Annie's Mailbox, c/o Creators Syndi-cate, 5777 W. Century Blvd., Suite 700, Los Angeles, CA 90045. Creators Syndicate

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# **Super Bowl** ads: Clean but wacky

BY SETH SUTEL The Associated Press

NEW YORK - Sure, Super Bowl ads have been wacky before. But Gladys Knight scoring in a rugby game? MC Hammer and a '72 Impala getting hurled over a backyard fence - to plug potato chips? There were plenty of curiosities in this year's crop of ads tailored for the game, the place where the advertising industry goes all out to show off its most daring, creative work and make the most of the biggest television audience of the year.

What we didn't see was a repeat of last year's rampage of off-color humor. And no wardrobe malfunctions - unless you count a cheeky spot from newcomer GoDaddv.com. a vendor of Web site names, that poked fun at the hubbub over the halftime incident from last year with a fake hearing into broadcast decency. An elderly politician clutches for an oxgen mask after a buxom woman's top nearly falls down from a broken shoulder strap

This year saw a slew of newcomers, including Volvo, with a clever spot featuring Richard Branson going into space in a rocket.

A sticker on the side boasts that his other ve hicle is a Volvo.



### Gladys Knight starred in an MNBA commercial that was shown during the Super Bowl on Sunday.

This ad even comes with its own promotion, giving viewers a chance to sign up to win a trip into space on commercial space flights Branson is planning.

Lincoln - which hadn't been in the game for a decade - ran a funny ad toward the start of the Super Bowl in which a tough group of bikers is scared away from a roadside diner after seeing a line of Lincoln trucks parked in front. The gang of Hell's Angels lookalikes is spared embarrassment when one of them sheepishly suggests that the salad bar up the road is better anyway.

Several of this year's ads were definitely nuzzlers.

Gladys Knight appears as a rugby player in a pitch for the credit card issuer MBNA Corp., and both MC Hammer and a '72 Impala come flying over a backyard fence in a spot for

Lay's potato chips Pepsi, a perennial Super Bowl advertiser, referred to one of its own classic ads by show Cindy Crawford ogling a plain-dressed but hunky guy walking along and sipping on a can of Diet Pensi as the theme from "Satur-

day Night Fever" plays in the background Crawford herself was the star of a 1992 Pepsi ad where two young boys ogled her as she pulled into a dusty gas station and quaffed

a Pepsi in slow motion.

But this being 2005, after Crawford and numerous other women are stopped in their tracks by the hunkalicious Diet Pepsi drinker, there's one more pair of eyes caught by the passing stud: those of "Queer Eye for the Straight Guy" host Carson Kressley.

# **McCartney** plays it safe at halftime performance

The Associated Pres

NEW YORK - The NFL wanted a safe halftime show after last year's Janet Jackson fiasco, and Paul McCartney de-

When McCartney stripped off his jacket midway through his Super Bowl halftime performance, all he revealed was a long-sleeved red shirt. Nothing malfunctioned. And if he wore any nipple jewelry, he mercifully kept it to himself.

It was sweet nostalgia for those stunned by Jackson's MTV-produced show, if a bit off-putting for the kids: Each of McCartney's four songs was more than 30 years old.

Surely you recall last year's climax to a body-shaking, crotch-grabbing festival: Justin Timberlake yanking part of Jackson's top off to reveal her bare breast to millions.

McCartney's stage set giant cross of video boards on the stadium floor with the singer at the center — was visually arresting, and his theatrical James Bond theme "Live and Let Die" was a perfect backdrop for a stadium fireworks

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# **FACES**

## **McCartney refutes reports**

Stung by media sniping at his wife, Paul McCartney wants to set the record straight. She doesn't make decisions for him, didn't tell him to dye his graying hair, and gets along just fine with his kids

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The former Beatle posted a message Friday on Heather Mills McCartney's official Web site, rebutting some of the "scurrilous reports" about the model turned anti-landmine cam-

paigner he married in 2002. Some of the stuff that is written is plain malevolence but some of it is so ridiculous that I have to admit it's filmny wrote the musician, who

headlined the Super Bowl halftime show on Sunday. Britain's tabloid press has reported animosity between Mills McCart-

ney, 37, and the musician's children from his marriage to Linda McCartnev, who died of cancer in 1998. But McCartney said his adult children "get on great"

with their stepmother. He and Mills McCartney have a 1-year-old daughter, Beatrice.

## N. Korea wants ban on 'Team America'

North Korea's embassy in Prague has demanded that the film "Team America: World Police" be banned in the Czech Republic, saying the movie harms their country's reputation, a report said Saturday.

In the film by "South Park" creators Trey Parker and Matt Stone, a team of marionettes rushes to keep North Korean leader Kim Jong II from destroying the world, reducing world capitals to rubble along the way

'It harms the image of our country," the Lidove Noviny daily quoted a North Korean diplomat as saying. "Such behavior is not part of our country's political culture. Therefore, we want the film to be banned."

The Czech Foreign Ministry said the film would not be banned in the Czech Republic

'We told them it's an unrealistic wish." ministry snokesman Vit Kolar was quoted as saying. "Obviously, it's absurd to demand that in a democratic country.

## Freeman picks sweet home Mississippi

Morgan Freeman has an easy answer when people ask why he chose to live in Mississippi: "I'm a major, internationally famous motion picture star. I can live where I want to."

Freeman, who has appeared in more than 50 films and has been nominated for four Academy Awards, grew up in Mississippi but left the area in 1955.

"I had no plans to come back here," Freeman said this past week as he was added to the Leflore County Hall of Fame. "I was just going to keep going."

But he was drawn back by his parents and returned to live in Charleston in 1992. When he returned he remembered why the place felt right.

"All my life, I felt nurtured because I was here," he said

"I was raised by a whole village, and I feel blessed for

## Actor says goodbye to 'JAG'

David James Elliott is ending his "JAG" service after a decade

Elliott, who plays military attorney Cmdr. Harmon "Harm" Rabb Jr., will leave the CBS series when it concludes its 10th season in May, the network said Friday.

With his "JAG" deal ending this year, Elliott signed a series development deal with ABC and Touchstone Television 1

Whether the Navy drama, which first aired on NBC and moved to CBS in its second year, will return for the 2005-06 season was uncertain

"JAG" creator Donald Bellisario is introducing a new character who could fill the void left by Elliott: Chris Beetem, formerly of "As the World Turns," joins the cast this month as a new JAG team member.

The series, which airs Friday, co-stars Catherine Bell, Patrick Labyorteaux, Scott Lawrence and Zoe McLellan

# Rock

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# Comedian rolls into Oscar gig

BY BETH HARRIS The Associated Press

BURBANK, Calif. hris Rock's eyes darted around the room, studying the chattering group of international print journal He licked his lips, clasped his hands ... and only

dropped one F-bomb as they questioned him in a variety of accents

"I'm never proper or careful, but I never curse in front of my mother, either," Rock told the writers. So he's not worried about getting bleeped on worldwide TV when he hosts the Feb. 27 Oscar ceremony.
"I don't think people are nervous," Rock said later dur-

ing an interview with The Associated Press. "I just came off tour in America, a million people came to see me. They weren't nervous." Shooting a glance at Oscar show producer Gil Cates, he

asked, "Are you, Gil?" Cates didn't flinch.

Neither has the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences, although having the acerbic Rock as host is certainly a change of pace. The academy is known for its sedate style and the predominantly older, white membership that fills the Oscar night audience.

Rock mimicked the typical question he gets these days: "Oh, a black comic, how are you going to make it whiter? I'm like, 'Dude, look around, can you get any whit-

He honed his off-the-cuff style during a three-year run on "Saturday Night Live," plus the club circuit and hit HBO specials

"How do I say this without sounding like an egomaniac?" he said. "I don't know a comedian that sells more seats than me in the red states and blue states, so I don't see where I have to change that much.

At least some of Rock's cockiness stems from the positive response he received during his recent "Black Ambition"

"When I'm in West Palm Beach, Fla., there are old Jewish people at the show," he said. "When I'm in New Mexico, it's Mexicans

'Wherever I'm at, the people show up Hip-hopping into the traditional footsteps of such Oscar emcees as Billy Crystal and the late Johnny Carson appealed to Rock, although he revealed he turned down the chance to host the Oscarcast several times before, believing it was "an old

But he's 39 now, and it feels right. "I like the tradition of the Oscars," he said. "I like that some of the greatest comedians ever have host-

man's gig.

ed the show How did Cates choose Rock as host? "Rilly is doing a show in New York," he said, "Steve Martin is

doing a movie - " Rock cut him off. "Ellen DeGeneres has crabs. Jay Leno's got a gig. They got to the R's. Burt Reynolds said no.

Creating an immediate buzz on Oscar night is Rock's No 1 challenge.

"A great monologue does it," he said. "The secret to hosting awards shows is like sports - get a big lead and run out



about hosting the 77th Annual Academy Awards during a Jan. 21 news conference in Burbank, Calif. Having the acerbic Rock as host is a change of pace for the academy, known for its sedate style.

"Then kind of hand off the ball and assist the show."
As a kid in Brooklyn, N.Y., Rock tuned in the Oscar show for the host's monologue, then tuned out, 'Any black people nominated? No. oh, back to bed."

Not the case this year. Jamie Foxx is a best actor nominee for "Ray" and a supporting actor nominee for "Collateral" — two of this year's record five acting nominations for black performers.

If he doesn't win, I will steal the sound editing Oscar," Rock declared. Cates reminded him that award usually

has multiple winners.

"They're all punks," Rock shot back.
Rock isn't a member of the academy, despite

acting in "Head of State," "Bad Company," "New Jack City," "I'm Gonna Git You Sucka!" and, of course, "Pootie Tang." Why not? "If you're darker than a paper bag, you

can't get in," he said. Working a live audience is Rock's forte, a good

thing since the Oscars are broadcast in real time around the world. ABC has not yet decided whether there will be a delay on the broadcast to protect against stray profanities, as there was in last year's post-Janet Jackson crackdown.

An Emmy-winning writer himself for his cable specials. Rock hired his own writing staff, and expects contributions from famous pals David Spade, Adam Sandler and Eddie Murphy.

"I've been kissing [expletive] for years and now I'm going to reap the rewards," he said, cackling. "I've been paying for a lot of dinners and now I want

iokes, damn it! How will Rock know if he's killing the Kodak Theatre audience on Oscar night? "I'll probably pay more attention to the musicians in the pit than the stars because they're the closest you're going to get to normal people in the audi-

ence," he said "If I can get them laughing, I know I got the whole world laughing."

Stories and photos from the Associated Press

# **SCOREBOARD**

# AFN TV & radio

### Wednesday

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Florida at Kentucky.

AFN-Sports, 5 p.m.—NBA: Toronto at Cleve-land (dld).

## AFN-Sports, 8:30 p.m.—NBA: Chicago at Dallas (dld). Thursday

AFN-Sports, 2 a.m.—College basketball: Illi-nois at Michigan (dld). AFN-Sports, 9 a.m.—College basketball: Memphis at Louisville. AFN-Atlantic, 10 a.m.—NBA: Denver at Min-

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All times are Japan and Korea Standard ime; dld indicates delayed broadcast. All stings are subject to change. Visit www.myafn.net for more information.

# College basketball

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17. Gonzaga (17-4) did not play. Next: st. Pepperdine, Thursday.

18. Cincinnat (17-5) did not play. Next: vs. Xavier, Thursday.

19. Wisconsin (15-5) did not play. Next: vs. lowa, Wednesday.

20. Texas (15-6) did not play. Next: at Colorado, Tuesday. 21. Utah (19-3) did not play. Next: at UNLV, Monday. Monday. 22, Maryland (13-7) did not play. Next: vs. Virginia Tech, Tuesday. 23. Connecticut (14-5) did not play. Next: at No. 8 Syracuse, Monday. 24. Villanova (13-5) did not play. Next: vs.

Saint Joseph's, Monday. 25. Georgia Tech (13-7) did not play. Next: at Clemson, Tuesday.

### Sunday's men's scores

EAST EAST Binghamton 67, Maine 60 Carnegie-Mellon 95, Emory 84 Colgate 62, Lafayette 61 D'Youville 50, Polytechnic 41 Endicott 94, Anna Maria 44 Holy Cross 76, American U. 67, OT La Salle 90, Fordham 88, OT Lehigh 57, Bucknell 54 Loyola, Md. 77, Manhattan 70 Loyola, Mu. 71, manus Navy 84, Army 69 Rochester 84, Case Reserve 50 SOUTH

Florida Atlantic 82, Troy 80 Guilford 101, E. Mennonite 91 North Carolina 81, Florida St. 60 Thomas More 117, Piedmont 104

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8. Baylor (17-3) did not play. Next: at Okla-homa, Wednesday. 9. North Carolina (18-3) did not play. Next: at Virginja, Monday. 10. Michigan State (20-3) beat Illinois 68-59. Next: at No. 14 Minnesota, Thursday. 11. Connecticut (15-5) did not play. Next: No. 16 Boston College, Wednesday.

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21. Vanderbilt (16-5) did not play. Next: vs.
Auburn, Thursday.
22. Temple (18-3) beat Duquesne 75-53.
Next: vs. Saint Josephs, Thursday.
23. Penn State (14-8) lost to Purdue 50-44.
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# College baseball

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Elon 18, Wofford 4
Florida Gulf Coast 8, Albany St., Ga. 0
Florida Southern 11, Wingate 4
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Spring Hill 11, Webber 6
UCF 3, Fla. International 2
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### Saturday's scores

SOUTH Armstrong Atlantic 7, Felician 0 Auburn 11, Hofstra 3 Auburn-Montgomery 7-5, Berry 6-6 Aubum-Montgomey 7-5, Berry 6-6 Barry 6, Lynn 7-5, West Alabama 3-7 Flager 7-6, West Alabama 3-7 Flager 7-6, West Alabama 3-7 Flager 7-6, West Alabamy 8t., Ga. 2-0 Florida 5-6, 4-7, Wingate 6-3 Florida 5-6, 4-7, Winga 

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CS Northridge 5, UNLV 4, 15 innings
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Bowling Green 4, Ferris St. 2
Colorado College 2, Minn.-Mankato 2, tie
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## Golf

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## Deals

# Weekend transactions

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# Agassi back for **Davis Cup**

The Associated Press

NEW YORK - Andre Agassi is returning to the U.S. Davis Cun team after a five-year absence. The U.S. Tennis Association an-

nounced Monday that Agassi will in the Americans first-round match against Croatia on March 4-6 at Carson, Calif. "I have decided to play Davis



Cup in 2005, Agassi said in a statement released by the USTA captain and players know

that my life will not allow me to play every tie at this stage of my career Still they all eynressed encouragement, which is very much appreciated."

The eight-time Grand Slam tournament champion, who turns 35 in April, stopped playing Davis Cup after 2000 as part of a scaled-back schedule geared to peaking for the majors.

He was a member of three Davis Cup championship teams, going 30-5 in singles. Current U.S. captain Patrick McEnroe traveled to Agassi's hometown of Las Vegas after the Australian Open to meet for dinner and try to persuade him to return to the

The United States has won the competition a record 31 times, but not since 1995 - the team's longest drought since the gap between titles in 1926 and 1937. The Americans lost to Spain in last year's Davis Cup final

## Source: Jets' Carter in rehab

NEW YORK - New York Jets reserve quarterback Quincy Carter is back in rehab for an undisclosed problem, a source within the league said Monday.

Carter is seeking medical assistance at a treatment center, the source, speaking on condition of anonymity, told The Associated Press. ESPN.com reported that Carter also was being treated for bipolar disorder.

Carter left the Jets four days be fore their playoff game against Pittshurgh last month to be with his ailing mother in Decatur. Ga.

The source said Carter had per sonal issues and was excused from the team. After his depar-

ture, he entered the program. Carter already was in the league's substance-abuse program following a previous positive test. A third positive test would bring a four-game suspension.

# Friedel retires from U.S. team

MIAMI - Brad Friedel announced Monday that he is retir-ing from the U.S. national team, leaving Kasey Keller as the favor ite to be in goal through the 2006 World Cup.

Friedel beat out Keller for the starting job in the 2002 World Cup, in which the United States advanced to the quarterfinals in its best showing since 1930.

# Mickelson wins FBR with largest margin

BY BOB BAUM The Associated Press

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SCOTTSDALE Ariz Mickelson had an awful start in the FBR Open. He was 4 over after nine holes, 2 over after 18. Just making the cut seemed a reasonable goal.

What followed was a masterful. dominating performance that gave the Masters champion his first victory of the year, a five-stroke triumph that was the biggest winning margin in his impressive PGA Tour career.

"I thought it was going to be a short week. I'd have the weekend off," Mickelson said, "and the next thing you know I was able to turn things around."

That's an understatement. Mickelson was 19 under over the final 54 holes. The comeback began with an 11-under 60 in the second round, followed by a 65, and capped by a 67 on Sunday. As a finishing touch, he rolled in a 25-foot putt from the fringe on the 18th for a birdie, to the wild cheers of a huge crowd that had



Phil Mickelson reacts to his birdie putt on the 18th green during the final round of the FBR Open at the Tournament Players Club in Scottsdale, Ariz. Mickelson won the tournament at 17 under par.

showered him with encouragement all week.

"I can't wait for next week, said Mickelson, looking forward to the AT&T Pebble Beach National Pro-Am. "I can't wait to get back on the golf course. I'm excited about hitting chips, or putts, or tee shots

Mickelson said he's playing the

best golf of his life, that his switch to new golf equipment has added distance to his drives.

Those drives were a bit wild Sunday, when he hit one deep into the desert and another into a pond. But the 24-time PGA Tour winner offset those mistakes with brilliant comeback shots. He turned the desert mishap into a birdie, and salvaged a par out of

The victory in the \$5.2 million event was worth \$936,000. The best-attended tournament on the PGA Tour drew an estimated 517 000 Mickelson accomplished his

victory in an uncharacteristic tied for the lead after two rounds and up by four shots going into the final day.

"It was a fun week," he said, "because I drove the ball a lot longer than I think I have in vears, and was able to have a lot of short irons, too."

With chants of "A-S-U!" and "Go Lefty!" from the crowd every-where he went, Mickelson fin-ished at 17-under 267 on the Tournament Players Club course.

Scott McCarron and Kevin N: at 21, the voungest player on the PGA tour, tied at 272. McCarron shot his second consecutive 65, and Na had a 69. Na played in the final group with Mickelson and faltered before rallying with birdies on the 14th and 17th for his best finish in two years on the

Mickelson, a three-time NCAA champion at Arizona State who lived in Scottsdale until December 2001, won the FBR - formerly the Phoenix Open — for the second time. He was just 25 when he won in a playoff with Justin Leonard in 1996

The par-5 13th might have been the clincher for Mickelson His drive sailed off to the right, into desert terrain amid rocks, small trees and cactus. But the ball landed in a spot where there was an opening, and Mickelson smashed a 5-iron shot some 230 yards over a small tree and just in front of the green. He barely missed from there, then tapped in for a birdie. Na, meanwhile, three-putted for a bogey.

# Illinois still unanimous No. 1: Pacific joins rankings in 24th

BY JIM O'CONNELL

The Associated Press

Pacific moved into The Associated Press men's college basketball Top 25 for the first time in school history on Monday, thanks to a perfect record in the Big West

While Illinois was No. 1 in the poll for the 10th straight week, and a unanimous choice for the second time in a row. Pacific joined the rankings at No. 24.

The Tigers (18-2), who have won 14 straight games, are 12-0 in the Big West and having their best season. The only losses this season were at Kansas and to San Francisco, and the Tigers have a school-record 25-game winning streak in conference play.

"It's great for our town and our school and our players," coach

"They worked hard the last two years. I think they were a little disappointed they didn't get in last Monday. Now we have to go to Idaho and Utah State. As soon as we get ranked, we have to go play our hardest game of the year, but that's a good challenge for us."

Pacific has made six appearance es in the NCAA tournament, with a loss to UCLA in a regional final in 1967 its best run. The Tigers were a No. 12 seed last season and upset Providence 66-58 in the round. Thomason, the 17th-year coach who played in the 1971 NCAA tournament for Pacific, also led the Tigers to the NCAAs in 1997 with current Minnesota Timberwolves center Michael Olowokandi.

Illinois (23.0) which heat Mich. igan State and Indiana last week. matched the longest streak at the top since Kansas' 15-week run in 1996-97. Connecticut was No. 1 for 10 straight weeks in 1998-99

North Carolina (19-2) and Kansas (18-1) remained second and third, while Boston College, the only other unbeaten team in Division I, moved up one spot to a school-record fourth. The Eagles beat West Virginia and Seton Hall to become the first team in Big East history to start a season 20-0.

Kentucky and Wake Forest each moved up one spot to fifth and sixth, while Duke fell from fourth to No. 7 after losing to Wake Forest and beating Georgia

Syracuse, Louisville and Oklahoma State were eighth through 10th for a second straight week.

Washington was No. 11, followed by Arizona, Michigan State, Gonzaga, Utah, Oklahoma,

Alabama, Pittsburgh, Connecticut and Wisconsin The last five ranked teams

Cincinnati, Teyas Pacific and Teyas Tech Thomason isn't sure how the ranking will affect his players.

"When you get ranked, are you going to go out and play better? I don't know." Thomason said. "We have more things than this to accomplish. We need to win our conference to get a No. 1 seed, then win our tournament so we get to the NCAAs. We won 0111 first-round game last year, and we'd like to get in a situation where that can happen again and maybe even win two games."

Coach Bob Knight's Red Raiders' appearance at No. 25 was their first time in the rankings this season. Texas Tech (14-5) has won six of seven, the only loss in that span coming at Texas. The Red Raiders, who were ranked for seven weeks last season, won at Oklahoma on Saturday.

Maryland (22nd last week) and

Georgia Tech (25th) fell out of the poll. That leaves the Atlantic Coast Conference with three ranked teams; it had a record-tying seven teams in the poll for five weeks earlier in the

The ACC's remaining teams -North Carolina, Wake Forest and Duke - are in the top seven. The other teams from the league to be ranked this season were North Carolina State and Virginia.

Maryland (13-7), which returned to the Top 25 last week after a three-week absence, lost to Clemson and Miami last week.

Georgia Tech (13-7), which was No. 3 in the preseason poll after losing to Connecticut in the national championship game last season, lost to Duke on Saturday.

## **NBA** scoreboard

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# Celtics 103, Timberwolves 100

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# **Pacific personnel take in the Super Bowl**

# NFL cheerleaders visit bases in Japan

For a moment, Joseph Doswell, 41 must have remembered what it felt like to be the kid in the candy store

He spent the early portion of Monday's Super Bowl party at Camp Zama's Community Club chasing autographs on a picture card from six Miami Dolphins cheerleaders, special guests of Zama's Morale Welfare and Recreation Department.

He said the autographs were for his son, Brandon. For the Navy Chief Petty Officer assigned to nearby Atsugi Naval Air Facility, the cheerleaders "are increasing the morale of everybody here," said Doswell, of Pensacola, Fla. "They didn't have to come here. We don't often get a chance to meet celebrities. We really appreciate their support.'

It was just one sample of Americana brought on Monday to servicemembers, civilians and family members at clubs and recreation centers from Misawa to Okinawa - and on ships at sea.

Thousands gathered around wide-screen TVs and plates of breakfast goodies to take in New England's 24-21 victory over Philadelphia in the Super Bowl at Jacksonville, Fla. Contests, door prizes and giveaways highlighted the morning, from flat-screen TVs to round-trip plane tickets to the States.

At Kadena's Rocker NCO Club on Okinawa, 500 spectators for a "50-Yard Line Party" received



Above: Petty Officer 3rd Class Darrin Russ watches Super Bowl action on a large projection screen at the Harbor View Club at Sasebo Naval Base, Japan, on Monday. Right: Army Staff Sgt. Jonathan Cogun, 32, of Boston, assigned to Camp Zama's 35th Services & Support Battalion and his wife Jennifer celebrate a Patriots' touchdown during Monday's Super Bowl party at the Zama Community Club, Camp Zama, Japan. Cogun was one of two soldiers selected as "King of the Quarter" and invited to sit with six Miami Dolphins cheerleaders who signed autographs and performed for the troops at the Community Club.

jerseys sporting the number 05 to commemorate the year. There and elsewhere, fans bantered

over which team would win. 'Are you kidding me? Patriots said Airman 1st Class Shane Thomson, a Boston native,

Jeff Blood, 33, a dependent spouse at Zama wearing a Tom Brady No. 12 jersey, recalled when the Patriots didn't enjoy today's heights. The Norwood,

Mass., native, remembered when "we used to go in" Foxboro Stadium "and watch the fourth quarter for free. You can't do that now I'm here to watch the Eagles' second Super Bowl loss.

At Seoul's Yongsan Garrison, Pvt. 1st Class Takia Fosque, 19, and Staff Sgt. Latosha Wise, 28, cheered for Philadelphia at the Main Post Club, wearing Eagles jerseys bought in Itaewon three weeks ago. Said Wise, of Mill-brook, Ala., noting the Patriots' recent Super Bowl success: "It's time for someone else to take the trophy home."

Seaman Matt Weil expressed a similar pre-game view at the Harbor View Club, Sasebo Naval Base, Japan. "I'm for the Eagles because I'm from there and because they haven't won much of anything since 1960," he said.

Fosque said she knew her family was crowded around a TV in her hometown of Philadelphia. She knew, she said, because "I call them every five minutes.

In three Japan locales, cheer leaders added sparkle to the day, including those for the Oakland Raiders at Yokosuka Naval Base and for the St. Louis Rams at Misawa Air Base. They and the Dol phins cheerleaders were guests of each base and Armed Forces Entertainment

Bob McKeta, Zama director of commercial sponsorship, said he'd been working since last February to bring cheerleaders to Zama; when the chance was offered three weeks ago, he said. "Send 'em!

"All these people probably didn't get a chance to go to a game in the States," McKeta said. "This is their chance to get up close, interact, get autographs and take pictures with them.

Said U.S. Army Garrison Japan commanding officer Col. Garland H. Williams: "They could have chosen anywhere else to go. They chose Camp Zama. We're happy to have them

The cheerleaders seemed grate-

ful for the opportunity.
"I don't think we could describe in words the sacrifice that they make," said Brandii of the Dolphins' cheerleaders who has an uncle serving in Iraq, "You have a better appreciation of what they do by being here to see

Two lucky soldiers, Staff Sgt Jonathan Cogun and Sgt. Sang Yi, each had their names drawn in a "King of the Quarter" contest, for which they won a nile of sports gear and restaurant coupons and got to sit on a "throne" with three Dolphins cheerleaders on each side. Cogun in the second quarter, Yi in the fourth.

"This was the best part" of the game, said Yi, of Seoul. "I was not expecting this." expecting this."
"This is great," said Cogun,

sporting a Tom Brady jersey, "as long as the Patriots win.

As was the case in the Patriots' previous two Super Bowl triumphs, the game went down to the final seconds, when Rodney Harrison intercepted his second pass of the game.

"I almost feel guilty," said Blood, seconds after the Patriots' victory. "Last year's Super Bowl, the Red Sox and the World Series, and now this. It's almost too good. I'm soaking it up.

Greg Tyler, Teri Weaver and Fred Zim-merman contributed to this report.



# Corey Dillon picks up a nickname to savor

# Ex-malcontent with Cincinnati becomes a team player with N.E.

BY FRED GOODALL

The Associated Press

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. - Selfish. Malcontent. Troublemaker. Corey Dillon has heard all the critical words used to describe him during seven productive but mostly unfulfilling years in Cincinnati.

After one season with the New England Patriots, he's added a more appealing moniker.

"They can call me whatever they want to. Right now I am a Super Bowl champion," Dillon said after Sunday night's 24-21 victory over the Philadelphia Ea-

Labeled a bad teammate with the Bengals, Dillon proved his critics wrong this season by being a perfect fit for a New England team that has thrived on unselfishness while becoming the second franchise to win three Super Bowls in four years.

While many questioned the wisdom of trading for Dillon during the offseason, the eight-year pro never considered the possibility he and the Patriots might not be a good match.

Dillon set out quietly to repair his reputation, and wound up posting a team-record and career-high 1,635 yards rushing. He did his part against the Eagles, too, gaining 75 yards on 18 carries and scoring on a 2-yard run.

The seven-time 1,000-yard rusher also had three receptions for 31 yards

"This is what I came here for,"



New England's Corey Dillon scores on a 2-yard run in the fourth quarter despite the best efforts of Philadelphia Eagles free safety Brian Dawkins.

Dillon said, struggling to find the words to describe his feelings.

"It really hasn't hit me yet Maybe in a couple of days. ... It has been a long, long time since I felt like this. I have been in a lot of championship games from Pop Warner to junior college to high school, and never won the big game. Tonight, we won the big

Dillon rushed for over 100 yards in nine of 15 regular season games he played. He averaged 4.2 yards per carry against the Eagles, combining with backup

Kevin Faulk (eight carries, 38 yards) to give the Patriots just enough of a running attack to take some of the pressure off quarterback Tom Brady.

"I'm so happy for him," said Patriots safety Rodney Harrison, who sealed the victory with an in-

Dillon earned the nickname "Clock-Killin" Dillon" when he ran for 144 yards in New England's second-round playoff victory over Indianapolis. He didn't dominate the Super Bowl, but his TD finished a long drive that

snapped a 14-14 tie less than 2 minutes into the fourth quarter.

"I was thinking we need some more points. They (Philadelphia) are a threat to score at any time. The only thing that was on my mind was trying to get the points to help the team win," said Dillon, who'd never appeared in a playoff game before this season

The 30-year-old said all he needed was the right situation to bring out the best in him.

"God put me in a good place and surrounded me with good people. This whole thing has been a true blessing. ... This is what it is all about," Dillon said. "I had fun. For the first time in career, I enjoyed every

minute of the season. To actually come here and be the Super Bowl champions is awesome.

Somebody asked where he was a year ago, when the Patriots were winning the second of their three titles as he finished one of the most frustrating seasons of his career.

"I was on the couch, probably bloated," the 225-pound running back said. "A year makes a tremendous difference.

# Pats' Crennel goes from top to bottom

BY TOM WITHERS

The Associated Press

CLEVELAND - From dynasty to disaster. Romeo Crennel is going from one NFL extreme to the other.

Shortly after helping New England win its third NFL title in four years, the Patriots defensive coordinator accepted an offer to coach the Cleveland Browns, a chance to advance that he once worried would never come

"I've been in this business for a little while," Crennel said after the Patriots beat Philadelphia 24-21 to seal a place among the league's best teams ever. "I've always been told if you work hard and you're good at what you do, you'll get an opportunity to move

Crennel's agent, Joe Linta, said Browns president John Collins called him "about two minutes" after the game to offer the 57-year-old Crennel, a five-time Super Bowl winner, his first head coaching job.

"He has accepted, pending us



Romeo Crennel

working out a contract," Linta said from Jacksonville, Fla. "Hopefully, we can get it done quickly and he can begin putting together a staff

Linta was scheduled to be in Cleveland on Monday for conwell, the Browns will introduce Crennel as their 11th full-time coach - and first black coach. Linta said he will seek a five- or

six-year deal.

"He's not like most first-time coaches," Linta said. "He's a guy with more credentials. Although he hasn't been a head coach, he has five Super Bowl rings. The Browns aren't just getting a coach, they're buying into a program. They are getting 25 years of experience and knowledge."

Crennel's move to Cleveland is no surprise. It had been expected for weeks, and was only delayed because the Browns weren't allowed to have contact with the 24-year NFL coaching veteran while the Patriots were still play-

The Browns are hoping Crennel can bring them back to glory. but there's much work to be done Crennel, who began his pro-coaching career on Ray Perkins' staff with the New York Giants in 1981, will be Cleveland's third coach since 1999, when the Browns returned to the league as an expansion team. Since then, the club has gone

just 30-67 and lost its only playoff game in 2002. Last year, Cleve-land went 4-12. The lone bit of decent news to come out of that woeful season: The Browns will have the third pick in April's draft.

This will be Crennel's second stint with the Browns. He was the club's defensive coordinator in 2000 under Chris Palmer, who was fired after going just 5-27 in two years. In Crennel's one season in charge of Cleveland's defense, the Browns had 42 sacks, an improvement of 17 over the previous year.

Before hiring Butch Davis in 2001, the Browns interviewed Crennel, who was a candidate for other openings the past few years but was passed over despite his success and a handful of Super Bowl rings.

He emerged as the Browns' No 1 choice during a Jan. 7 interview with owner Randy Lerner, Collins and general manager Phil

### **Super Bowl records** The Associated Press

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JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — Records set or tied in the 2005 Super Bowl: 
Most Wins, Four-Year Span, Head Coach — 3, Bill Belichick, New England. 
Most Puris Returns, Career — 8, Troy Brown, New England (6, by eight players).

Most Receptions, Game — 11, Delon Branch, New England (Dan Ross, Cincinnati Vs. San Francisco, Vs. Cincinnati Vs. San Francisco, Vs. Cincinnati (San Franci

# Genius, guru, winner

# Belichick's third Super Bowl victory in four years moves him alongside Gibbs. Walsh and Lombardi

BY JIMMY GOLEN The Associated Pres

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. - Master of details, a football genius, Patriots coach Bill Belichick didn't start off too well in the Super Bowl: He jogged to the wrong sideline before the game.

That was just about the only mistake he made.

"He's a guru, man," linebacker Roman Phifer said Sunday night after Belichick guided New England to a 24-21 victory over the Philadelphia Eagles for its third NFL title in four years. "He loves the game - he eats, breathes and sleeps the game. He doesn't leave anything out.

victory was Belichick's ninth straight in the postseason and it gave him a career playoff record of 10-1, the best in NFL history, surpassing Vince Lombardi. Commissioner Paul Tagliabue made note of the accomplishment when handing Belichick the championship trophy named for the late Green Bay Packers coach.
"I expect that he would have

deep admiration for the way you play," Tagliabue told Belichick.

It is Belichick's third Super Bowl title as a coach, joining Washington's Joe Gibbs and San Francisco's Bill Walsh and just one behind the four Chuck Noll won in Pittsburgh. Like them, Belichick can now claim to be leader of a football dynasty.

"To me this trophy belongs to these players," Belichick said. "They met all comers this year, a very challenging year. We're thrilled to win. These players played great all year, their best in the big games, and they deserve it, they really deserve it.

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foresight and insight, where he always puts the coachina staff and the players and the whole organization in a position to be successful. 17

> **Charlie Weis** New England assistant

Belichick also won two rings as Bill Parcells' assistant with the New York Giants, earning him the derisive nicknames of "Little Bill" and "Tuna Helper." Now Belichick has surpassed his mentor
— and just about every other

coach in NFL history, too.
"We started at the bottom of the mountain like everybody else, and we're thrilled to get to the Belichick said. "It was one fight against 31 other teams to try to win this Super Bowl and win that trophy. We're happy that we did it. And I'll leave the comparisons and historical perspectives to everybody else.

Belichick's task this time was to devise a game plan to neutralize Eagles quarterback Donovan McNabb and keep receiver Terrell Owens from breaking open the game. McNabb didn't break free from the backfield once; Owens caught nine passes for 122 vards but wasn't able to reach the

Belichick flunked out of his first head coaching job with the Cleveland Browns when the team fell apart after it was appounced at midseason that it was moving to Baltimore. Patriots owner Robert Kraft liked Belichick enough after the 1999 season to give the New York Jets a package of draft picks that included a first-round choice for the coach.

"One of the reasons I hired him, he was understated, he was humble," Kraft said. "He passed his humility on to the team, and that allows us to establish a sense of team. The work ethic and intellect of our coaching staff is really

Belichick's task for the offseason is to put together a new staff. Offensive coordinator Charlie Weis is leaving to take over at Notre Dame and defensive coordinator Romeo Crennel has accept-

ed the top job in Cleveland But they left as winners

"He makes our job easier. He is such a good leader and he is so prepared," Weis said. "He's got so much foresight and insight, where he always puts the coaching staff and the players and the whole organization in a position to be successful "I think that winning is the

greatest tribute to his personnel He's a great football coach and he's a hell of a guy on top of that."

Belichick even got a chance for the traditional ice water bath he's missed during his last two Super Bowl victories because those games weren't decided until the final seconds

"I hadn't had water dumped on me in a long time, but it felt good," he said. "Whenever they dump water on you, that's a good sign. It's when they throw stuff at



Patriots beat the Philadelphia Eagles 24-21 in Sunday's Super Bowl. It was New England's third NFL title in four seasons under Belichick.

# Brady, as always, a cool customer in Super Bowl

BY DOUG FERGUSON The Associated Press

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — Never mind who was the MVP of this Super Bowl.

Forget about the unlikely return of Terrell Owens, the sight of Corey Dillon cele-brating a championship or a New England defense that kept Donovan McNabb on the run, but never let him get very far.

This game ultimately was settled by the guarterbacks, and Tom Brady was super

"I felt I was very prepared tonight, more so than ever before," Brady said. "I wish we had gotten things going a little quicker, but I knew I was looking in the right places. He found David Givens in the corner of

the end zone late in the first half, a risky play that paid off for no other reason than the ball was in Brady's magical hands He led the Patriots on a 69-yard touch

down drive to start the second half, setting the tone for a final 30 minutes that sent New England to a 24-21 victory and its third championship in four years. Most importantly, he made only one mis-take, losing a fumble after an 82-yard drive

that didn't result in points, but kept the Philadelphia defense guessing the rest of

McNabb could only wish he turned in such a performance

The Eagles' quarterback acquitted himself well in his first Super Bowl, completed 30 of 51 passes for 357 yards and three touchdowns, including a 30-yard shot to Greg Lewis in the back of the end zone that kept Philadelphia's hopes alive to the last minute

But that's not what he will take away from this game.

"I don't look at the touchdowns. I don't look at any of that," McNabb said. "I look at the three interceptions. As the quarterback, you want to make sure you take care of the ball. Turnovers kill you. And they hurt us today.

If there was a moment that defined the Brady mystique, it came late in the first half, on a play that easily could have put the Patriots in a 14-0 hole at intermission.

On second-and-goal from the 4, Brady dropped back and looked to his right, then back over the middle. With the Eagles' pass rush closing in, he saw Givens standing on the far right side of the end zone. Cornerback Lito Sheppard relaxed slightly, perhaps not believing anyone would dare try such a pass

That was all the hesitation Brady need-He slung the pass sidearm, some 20

yards across the field, and it arrived just before Sheppard did.

"Tom threw it right where he had to throw it," Givens said. "I looked up and it hit me exactly where wanted it. Tom placed the ball right on

It had to be. Anything less, and Sheppard had an easy interception - and 100 yards

of grass ahead of him. The touchdown to Givens, that was

about his third read on the play down there," New England coach Bill Belichick said, "That was an outstanding play, because he just read his progression all the way out and made a great read and a throw to Givens

That touchdown with 1:10 left in the half forged a 7-7 tie.

Equally impressive, but not nearly as picturesque, was the Patriots' next drive.

The Patriots needed to set the tone for the first half. They had struggled against the Eagles' defense to start the game, picking up only one first down on their first four possessions

The nine-play, 69-yard drive began with a safe, simple route to Deion Branch, the Super Bowl MVP, for 8 yards.

Then came three more good throws to Branch, one on third-and-10. The drive ended with a great read, and another great throw, to linebacker Mike Vrabel, who had lined up as a tight end and fought through a

hold by defensive end Jevon Kearse to make a juggling catch.

"Tom played an outstanding game," Beli-chick said. "He hit some big passes, especially those third downs at the start of the second half. That was the key to moving

Brady joins Terry Bradshaw, Joe Mon-tana and Troy Aikman among quarter-backs with at least three NFL titles; Bradshaw and Montana won four.

McNahh will want another chance to atone for this performance.

The only time he ran was when a screen pass failed, and McNabb was tripped up for a loss of a yard. He got away with a bad interception in the end zone - it was nullified by illegal contact on the Patriots — but threw another ball up for grabs that Rodney Harrison intercepted moments later in the first quarter.

McNabb's second interception was badly underthrown. And his final one. again by Harrison, set off the Patriots' celebration in the waning seconds.

Brady's only mistake was bumping into Kevin Faulk's hip on a play-action fake on second-and-goal from the 5. The ball hit the ground, and Brady couldn't secure it before the Eagles pried it loose in the pile. Still, Brady was flawless when he had to

be. Just like always when the Super Bowl is on the line.

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# **MVP Branch steals** the show from T.O.

BY BARRY WILNER

The Associated Press

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — The somewhat unheralded group of New England receivers now has a Super Bowl MVP among its ranks.

While Tom Brady, Corey Dillon, Bill Belichick and nearly every Patriots defender has basked in the spotlight during the team's dynastic run, the wideouts havit gotten much attention. On Sunday night, though, there was no ignoring Deiton Branch in the Patriots' 24-21 victory over the Philadelphia Eagles.

Branch tied a Super Bowl record with 11 catches, gaining 133 yards and making a half-dozen big plays. No longer is Troy Brown the most recognizable New England pass-catcher — and Brown got most his headlines for also playing defense.

"He's our biggest, strongest receiver. He does all the dirty work," Brown said. "He leveled a guy on one of runs down the side-line. He doesn't get enough credit. He's a big-time playmaker. Our whole group for receivers doesn't get the credit they deserge."

That's partly because the receivers are so interchangeable. If Branch isn't having a big game, maybe Brown is. Or David Givens. Or David Patten. Or Bethel Johnson. Or one of the tight ends.

But Super Sunday was Branch's star turn. Terrell Owens' return to the Eagles' lineup after nearly seven weeks on the sideline with an ankle injury drew the most attention in pregame buildup. And Owens certainly did his part with nine receptions for 122 yards

Still, Branch walked off with a third championship ring and the Pete Rozelle Trophy that Brady took home in the Patriots' last two Super Bowl wins.

"They say big players step up in big ames," Branch said.

"All the hoopla was about T.O. He's a great player. He really sucked it up tonight. But I want to show I have the same

type of talent as those guys."

Not that anyone with the Patriots doubted the third-year pro could be so dominant.

A second-round pick out of Louisville in 2002, he caught 43 passes his rookie year. He improved to 57 the following year, but missed seven games this season because of a knee injury. He finished with just 35 catches for 454 yards and four TDs.

Branch was so frustrated during the recovery process that he didn't travel to every road game.

"My teammates kept pushing me to get better," he said. "They were telling me 'We're going to need you soon.' I'm just thankful they didn't put me on IR," knowing injured reserve would have ended his season.

Branch found plenty of free space against the NFL's best secondary. It didn't matter who was covering him or what defense the Eagles were playing.

He played a role in all four scoring drives. The biggest catch might have been the last one — a leaping 19-yarder over the middle that set up Adam Vinatieri's 22-yard field goal early in the fourth quarter.

"They did a good job of getting him in



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Patriots receiver Deion Branch smiles while holding the Vince Lombardi Trophy on Sunday night. Branch tied the record for receptions in a Super Bowl with 11.

the open zone," All-Pro safety Brian Dawkins said.

In all, eight of his catches for 106 yards came on New England's scoring drives. And his 11 receptions tied Jerry Rice and Cincinnati's Dan Ross for catches in a Super Bowl.

Branch has developed into one of Brady's favorite receivers, usually getting the first look when a blitz is coming or a big catch is needed.

In last year's Super Bowl, Branch had 10 catches and a touchdown in a 32-29 victory over Carolina. Now, he has helped the Patriots become just the second team to win

three Super Bowls in four years.

"He's a very dynamic player," Brady said. "He can do it all — getting open, doing great things after he caught the ball."

The type of things Owens does. Philadelphia's All-Pro receiver defied his doctor by playing just 6 ½ weeks after surgery. With a metal plate and two screws in his right ankle, Owens was outstanding.

But Branch was better.
"I think Deion kind of put the Patriots receivers on the map a little more with tonight's game," Givens said. "He got us maybe a little more respect that we proba-

bly needed that we didn't have

# Owens delivers strong a game on a weak ankle

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. - Ter-

The Eagles' All-Pro receiver

caught nine passes for 122 yards

but didn't score a touchdown, and

Philadelphia lost 24-21 to the

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rell Owens has to save his Super

Bowl dance.



away he was no decoy.
"I knew I was going to play all along," Owens said.

Owens caught a 7-yard pass on Philadelphia's second play — his first action since he severely sprained his ankle and broke his leg in a game against Dallas on Dec. 19.

rice fiald a 30-yaru catch-and-run later in the first quarter, setting up a first down at the Patriots 8, which the Eagles failed to turn into points. After that catch, the flamboyant Owen flapped his arms along the side-line. He also had a 36-yard reception in the fourth quarter.

"For him to come back and play the way he played, I've got a lot of respect for him," Patriots linebacker Mike Vrabel said.

Owens was the target on Mc-Nabb's incomplete pass that start-

ed the game, and he hauled in a 9-yard reception on the second possession.

He appeared to have no trouble running his patterns, gaining several yards after his catches. Owens seemed out of breath early on when he went to the sideline, but didn't have to sit out plays.

"In this situation, other people like Brett Favre, they would have called him a warrior," Owens said. "For me, they said I was selfish. If I'm selfish, I'm selfish because I want to help my team win."

Owens didn't have any receptions in the second quarter as Mc-Nabb spread the ball around and had better success moving the offense, but had two catches during Philadelphia's game-tying drive in the third quarter and six total in the second half.

"It's remarkable how he was

able to come back and played so well for us," said McNabb, who had three TDs passes and three interceptions.

Two days after the Eagles won the NFC championship game, Dr. Mark Myerson, the surgeon who operated on Owens' right ankle in December, said he wouldn't clear him to play against the Patriots.

But Owens insisted he would be in the lineup — not just standing on the sideline leading cheers as he did in the NFC title game when Philadelphia earned its first Super Bowl appearance since 1981. It was a fitting stage for Owens,

the playmaking, showboating, brash-talking perennial Pro Bowl receiver. But he was denied an opportunity to perform one of his innovative touchdown celebrations in front of his largest audience.

In his first season with the Eagles after eight years in San Francisco, Owens led Philadelphia with 77 catches for 1,200 yards and 14 TDs. He invigorated the Eagles with his attitude, enthusiasm and exceptional play, adding a swagger to a team that desperately needed a personality.

Myerson inserted two screws in Owens' ankle and a plate on the outside of the ankle three days after he was injured. Owens was told after surgery that he had only an outside chance of returning for the Super Bowl. But he rehabbed vigorously, hoping to help Philadelphia win its first NFL championship since 1960.

With Owens, the offense was extremely potent, averaging 25.4 points in 14 games. After Owens was injured, the Eagles lost the last two regular-season games but most of the starters hardly played and others were rested.

The Eagles scored 27 points in each of their two playoff victories without Owens. But they couldn't pull out a win with him in the biggest game of all.

"We'll be back on this stage," Owens said. "We lost to a good team."

Eages wide receiver Terrell Owens tries to push his way past Patriots cornerback Randall Gay (21) after a reception in the first quarter.

# **Ground game plays key part for Patriots**

BY DAVE GOLDBERG The Associated Press

JACKSONVILLE Fla - The stat was glaring for the Philadelphia Eagles: 17

rushes, 45 yards. The four turnovers hurt, no doubt. As Donovan McNabb said, "We could have heen up 14-0 '

Ultimately, though, what won New England its third Super Bowl in four seasons Sunday was the Patriots' ability to run the ball while preventing the Eagles from

doing the same. No, it wasn't a blowout, just 24-21, but that was predictable, too — New England's Super Bowl wins in 2002 and 2004 also came by three points.

The Patriots didn't need a last-second field goal by Adam Vinatieri this time

It was over when McNabb's desperation pass was picked off by Rodney Harrison with 9 seconds left. But the game turned on a well-halanced 66-vard drive that started late in the third quarter and came right after Philadelphia seemed go gain momentum by tying the game at 14.

So New England established itself as the team of the century (early though it is) and put Bill Belichick ahead of even the great Vince Lombardi with a 10-1 postseason record.

Lombardi would have loved it

Like his Packers of the 1960s, this is such a complete team that there was no clear cut MVP of the game. It turned out to be Deion Branch, who had 11 receptions for 133 yards. But it could have been Tedy Bruschi, Harrison or Richard Seymour, who all made big defensive plays; or quarterback Tom Brady, who took home the award after the Patriots' first two chamnionships.

"Different plays, different guys," guard Joe Andruzzi said, expressing just what has happened for the Patriots in the last four years, and especially the last two, record in the parity of free agency and the salary cap

Lombardi certainly would have loved the drive that gave New England the lead for good early in the fourth quarter. The Patriots ran for 34 yards — including Corey Dillon's 2-yard TD.

New England also got 20 yards rushing on that drive from Dillon's backup, Kevin Faulk, who ran for 8 and 12 yards from a spread formation. Faulk also took a screen pass from the 16 to the 2 to set up Dillon's

"Every time I come in, they yell 'screen! screen' " Faulk said "So we ran the draw and it worked and then we ran the screen

New England finished with 112 yards rushing on 28 carries

The game also demonstrated the other characteristic that has made the Patriots into a dynasty in the days of salary caps and unstable rosters. New England gets big plays from all kinds of players.

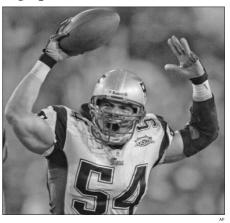
As usual, one was Bruschi, setting the tone for the game with a sack on Philadelphia's first possession. Then he made an interception that ended a fourth-quarter drive one play after a 36-yard pass completion to Terrell Owens, who performed better than expected in his first game back after a severe ankle injury

Harrison had two interceptions, one on his own 3 in the first quarter and the sec-

and with 9 seconds remaining. And when Harrison and Co. weren't stymieing McNabb, they were stuffing Brian

Aside from a meaningless 22-yard scamper by Westbrook on the final play of the first half, Philadelphia couldn't run against a defense that often had just two down linemen Outside linebackers - Willie McGinest. Mike Vrahel and Rosevelt Colvin often played defensive end, making the Patriots' 3-4 defense into a 4-3 that Philadel-

phia didn't seem prepared to attack. Seymour, who had missed five weeks



New England Patriots' Tedy Bruschi celebrates after intercepting a fourth-quarter pass.

with a knee injury, didn't play as much as lanes," said Westbrook, who carried 15 he usually does. But when he did he was as disruptive as ever.

Belichick said the 4-3 look was designed to put pressure on McNabb. "I don't think we played 3-4 once all day," the coach said. But it also worked in shutting down the

"They used the linebackers to jam the guards and we never got any good running

times for 44 vards. The Eagles had that to lament and plenty

else. But they also recognized they were up against a team unlike any other in the NFL

"I'm proud of my team," Eagles tight end L.J. Smith said. "We have a great coaching staff and a great organization. They won today but we're still a great

# Dynasty: Owens' return not enough to help Eagles

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Donovan McNabb threw a 30-yard touchdown pass to Greg Lewis with 1:48 remaining, but the Patriots recovered the onside kick and ran off all but the final 46 seconds. When Harrison picked off McNabb's last pass at the Philly 28, it was time to party. Sure, the NFL-planned celebra-

tion is virtually impossible to dis-tinguish from one year to the next, but that didn't lessen the Patriots' remarkable accomplish-ment — especially in the era of salary caps and free agency. "This is the best ever," offen-

sive tackle Matt Light said, "We have more heart than anyone in the world. This is unbelievable. I love this confetti.

The Eagles got a huge lift from Terrell Owens, who defied his doctor to play in his first Super Bowl. Just 61/2 weeks after surgery, T.O. had nine catches for yards. Not bad for a guy who was playing with two screws and a metal plate in his right ankle.

"He's amazing, to be able to come out there and do what he did." Harrison said. "You could tell he was still hurting a little bit, but he played tremendous."

But Owens was outshined by New England's Deion Branch who claimed the MVP award Bowl record - for 133 yards "He epitomizes the way the Patriots win." NFL commissioner

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Paul Tagliabue said Monday. "He has great individual talent . . . but all within the context of the It wasn't a flawless game by

any means. McNabb (30-for-51 for 397 yards) threw three intercentions, was sacked four times and had a fumble overturned by replay. Tom Brady botched a handoff with Kevin Faulk, leading to a fumble deep in Philly territory.

For the most part, though, the Patriots followed a familiar routine - run the ball (28 carries, 112 yards), limit mistakes in the game (Brady was passing game (Brady was 23-for-33 for 236 yards, with no interceptions) and rely heavily on their defense (the Eagles managed just 45 vards on the ground).

The loss extended Philly's excruciating championship drought.

The city's last football title came in 1960. The last title of any kind came 22 years ago, when the 76ers won the NBA champion-

ship.
"I was proud of the effort," coach Andy Reid said. "But we came up just short - too many

turnovers - and against such a tough football team you can't do that Now, it's time to start sorting

out the historical significance of another Patriots' Super Bowl title. They have won nine straight postseason games, equaling Vince Lombardi's Green Bay equaling teams. And coach Bill Belichick improved his playoff record to 10-1, one-upping the great Lombardi.

"As I give you the Lombardi Trophy, I suspect that coach Lombardi would have a deep admiration for how your team played today," Tagliabue told Belichick after the game.

The Patriots had a bumpy road to their latest championship, and in many ways the Super Bowl mirrored those struggles. But, as always, New England found a way to persevere. Maybe it's their versatility: For

the second year in a row, linebacker Mike Vrabel caught a touchdown pass. He's got five receptions in his career - all TDs.

Even though the Eagles made it to the Super Bowl for the first time since 1981 — after three straight conference championship flops - their sparkling season ended in disappointment before a sea of mostly green jerseys in the crowd of 78,125.

"We were too sloppy to win," Owens said. "It was great to get back, but we made too many mistakes. We could have won and that hurts

Brady didn't stand out like he did while winning the MVP award at his first two Super Bowls, but he threw two TD pas es. Branch stepped in to fill the void, making off with a new car and an additional piece of hard-

"It doesn't matter who gets what," Branch said.

McNabb looked ordinary, even skittish at times. Maybe it was the four sacks, the persistent pres-sure and the lack of help from the running game. He threw three touchdown passes, but also made some crucial blunders.

In a precursor of what was to come. McNabb caught a break when a first-quarter interception in the end zone was nullified by a defensive penalty. But he wasted the second chance, throwing another errant pass that Harrison picked off near the goal line.

After Harrison's second intercention in the waning seconds. Belichick sought out offensive coordinator Charlie Weis and defensive coordinator Romeo Crennel. Both are leaving for head coaching jobs: Weis at Notre Dame, Crennel with the Cleveland



"He grabbed me and Romeo at the end of the game and said, 'Hev. it's over.' "Weis said. What a ride it's been.

One for the ages.

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# Team for the ages

# Dynasty talk builds with Pats' third Super title

BY PAUL NEWBERRY The Associated Press

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. - The whole thing must have seemed routine to the New England Patri-ots: confetti fluttering across the field, fireworks brightening the night sky, a carefully choreo-graphed championship trophy presentation.

Downright ordinary, right?

Hardly.
The Patriots became The Patriots became a full-fledged dynasty with their third Super Bowl victory in four years, beating the Philadelphia Eagles 24-21 Sunday night.

New England claimed a spot alongside the Green Bay Packers of the 1960s, the Pittsburgh Steelers of the '70s, the San Francisco 49ers of the '80s, the Dallas Cowboys of the '90s.

A team for the decade. A team for the ages

'We're champions now. That's it," safety Rodney Harrison said.

"I don't know about dynasty." Trust us, Rodney, this group fits the definition in every re-spect. New England becomes just the seventh franchise to claim back-to-back titles. The Cowboys are the only other team to win the championship three times over a four-year period.

Typically, the Patriots didn't leave themselves much room. All three of their Super Bowls have been decided by three points the previous two on last-second field goals by Adam Vinatieri. By comparison, only two of the first 35 Super Bowls were within field

goal range at the end. But what they lack in style, the Patriots more than make up with their steely determination to do whatever it takes to win. When the Eagles jumped to a 7-0 lead. New England responded with a touchdown of its own late in the

first half. When Philadelphia tied the game at 14 late in the third quarter, the Patriots marched right down the field for Corey Dillon's 2-yard touchdown. And, in a fitting bit of synergy, Vinatieri booted a 22-yard field goal with 8:40 remaining that provided the margin of victory

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Above: Super Bowl MVP Deion Branch of the New **England Patriots holds the** Lombardi Trophy with head coach Bill Belichick after a victory over Philadelphia Sunday in Jacksonville, Fla. Left: Philadelnhia receiver Terrell Owens walks off the field after his team's loss. Owens, who is recovering from an ankle injury and played against his doctor's wishes, finished with nine catches for 122 yards.

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